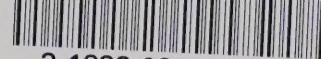


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FOREWORD

For a number of years the writer has been gathering material for a brief history of this community. We shall try and be as brief as possible, knowing that the present generation wants everything in a nutshell. When the Republican National Convention met in Kansas City a few years ago, one of the speakers said, "We cannot write the platform short enough so that the average man will take time to read it." The preacher says there is a time for every purpose and we are convinced this is the proper time for writing a short history of the developments of this community. At the time we commenced to gather material for this history, we still had quite a number of pioneers with us who could tell us how conditions here developed. They spoke what they knew and bore witness of what they had seen. The material for this book is based largely on hearsay matter gathered from these pioneers who have contributed so much to the upbuilding of this community. They were the source of information and nobody will doubt their dependability. The names of some of these pioneers who gave us information are Fred Haar, John Gross, John Schamber, George Schamber, Wm. Dewald, M. Wollmann, John Dubs, Andrew Mettler, Christ Auch, George Aman, Peter H. Unruh, C. P. Dickman, Henry Dewald, Fred Huber, M. R. Huber, Jacob J. Waltner and others.

This book is dedicated to the pioneers of Freeman and vicinity who had visions of the future and planned accordingly. The only one of the above named persons living today is Hon. John Gross who observed his 97th birthday June 1st, 1957.

HISTORY OF FREEMAN AND COMMUNITY NEAR FREEMAN



C. BUECHLER
FATHER OF FREEMAN

Mr. Buechler had the first store in Freeman
Died in 1904, age 61 years



JOHN GROSS
HIS RIGHT HAND

Buechler's right hand is still living, age 97
Oldest man now living in Freeman

This settlement was five years old when Freeman started. In the summer of 1879 the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway Company extended their line from Marion to Freeman and Menno with the objective point in view to build down to Runningwater. Late in fall when train service started, the company decided on a station here. When a town is located the railroad company looks for a name. Conditions often suggest the name; like Sioux Falls, Dell Rapids, Whitewater was named after trees along a creek. But some towns were also named after some prominent man. The land owner here was Fred Waldner and when the Milwaukee Road decided to open a station here and the land owner was Fred Waldner, instead of calling it Fredman they changed the letter "d" to "e" and called it Freeman. When they came to Menno they found Fred Heiser owning land near the present town of Menno. The Wolf Creek Colony settled at Silver Lake in 1874 where they owned 29 quarters, but a mill driven by water power was on their mind and they bought the present Wolf Creek Colony place for \$750.00 and moved down in 1875 and built a flour mill and this Fred Heiser was their miller for years, but his home was at the present Menno. In those days the Colony was always known by the name of Mennonite Colony and Heiser being their miller and also a prominent man at the present Menno, in the fall of 1879 when the railroad was built, they called the town Menno and omitted the four last letters, "nite". All this is not on record but the writer spent the first 26 years of his life at Menno and this is hearsay information.

Fred Waldner filed on this land in 1878 on which the town was located in 1879. The Waldner homestead shack was located half a block south of the present City Park. Waldner sold 150 acres to John Laural of Mitchell on November 18, 1879 for \$700.00 and Mr. Laural platted the original townsite of Freeman and sold the land for \$1500.00.

Mr. Waldner kept 10 acres and his sod house and devoted his time making combs for horses and a little later sold the 10 acres and joined the Bon Homme Colony. Mr. Waldner was the father of the mother of Mrs. Druggist John K. Hofer.

The southern part of Freeman located on the southwest quarter of the section, was homesteaded by Mike Tschetter. His homestead shack was near the Bethany Church. They sold out and joined the Bon Homme Colony.

That part of Freeman west of the section line on the northeast quarter of that section was the homestead of David Kleinsasser. His sod house was located a little north of the Math J. Kleinsasser home. David Kleinsasser died in 1879 and Mrs. Kleinsasser (the late Mrs. John L. Wipf) filed on the 160 acres.

Until the fall of 1879, all you could see on the present site of Freeman were three sod houses belonging to Fred Waldner, Mike Tschetter and David Kleinsasser.

C. Buechler was called "The Father of Freeman," because he opened the first business establishment here in Freeman. He conducted a store in Yankton till late in the fall of 1879, when he decided to leave Yankton and come to Freeman.

He moved his 1½ story 20x50 structure to Freeman. This was the first store in Freeman and the Buechlers were the first people, outside of railroad employees, to locate here in Freeman. The present Schamber corner was the place Mr. Buechler conducted a general merchandise business in that building until 1881 when he sold out to John Dubs and John Schamber. This first building which was moved out from Yankton was cut into several pieces and moved on hayracks.

On January 1, 1882 John Schamber and George Schamber formed a partnership under this firm name and the business is now operated by Irvin, Richard, Johanna and Wilhelmina, sons and daughters of the original George Schamber. In 1900 when Schambers erected the present modern brick store building, the old Buechler building that was moved out from Yankton on hayracks, was moved and is now the Laber Meat Market. Mr. Buechler was born in Russia in 1843, prepared for the teaching

profession in Odessa, was moved to Barbau Zumbaunn in 1866 and came to America in 1873. Buechler's right hand in his business undertakings was John Gross, who came over from Russia at the age of 14, with his two brothers Philip and Henry. Philip died in North Dakota and Henry disappeared.

The first year the 14 year old John Gross worked on the farm for board. The second year he worked for Buechler in the store for \$75 a year. He kept on working for Buechler till 1882 and was Buechler's right hand in all his undertakings. This John Gross observed his 97th birthday June 1, 1957. Always remember, old age indicates a virtuous life. Mr. Gross observed developments from the founding of the town to the present day. If there has ever lived a self made man, he is the man. His parents died when he was still young and that resulted in neglecting the school but common sense applied made him a successful man.

THE FOLLOWING MEN WERE OUR BUSINESSMEN IN THE EARLY 80's

All were strong church and school men and shaped conditions in the early days in Freeman



CHRIST GENTHNER
Died 1942, age 88 years



WM. DEWALD
Died 1934, age 77 years



JOHN DUBS
Died 1942, age 87 years



GEORGE J. SCHAMBER
Died 1936, age 77 years



JOHN SCHAMBER
Died Dec. 1923, age 67 years



HENRY PFEIFFER
Died Sept. 10, 1925, age 70 years



HENRY DEWALD

Henry Dewald, who died in 1911, age 56 years, was one of our first business men in Freeman. He and Mr. Christoph Guenthner had built the first hardware store here. The Wipf Bros. own the place now. Mr. Dewald however preferred farming and had gone back on his farm shortly after.



FRIEDRICH HAAR

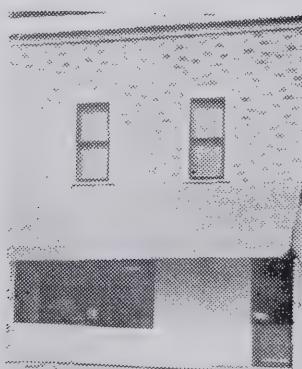
Died 1946, age 89 years

The above men played an important role in the development of our little city the first few years. They were all born in Russia and came to America in the 70's. Only one of them is living today and that is Hon. John Gross. All were active in this community just about all their life time. They were very active in school and church work and for anything that was for the upbuilding of a nice clean town.

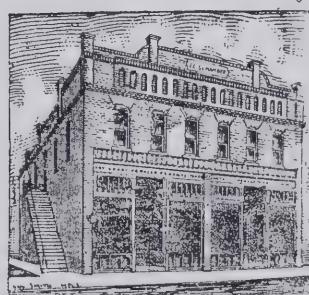
It is never realized what it means for a new town to have leaders that are interested in church and school work. How fortunate if the new generation grows up under the influence of honest leaders. They also took great interest in public questions and all of us know how badly we need good influence in the political field and how important it is to use the influence in the right direction. These men contributed more than their

share to make Freeman one of the best and cleanest towns in the state. A well informed man who travels this state from one end to the other many times was telling us in the Courier office that Freeman is the strongest church town in South Dakota. We thanked him for the compliment. We were well acquainted with these ten men and make these statements from the bottom of our heart.

The first few years many deals were made in Freeman. Buechler sold his store to John Schamber and John Dubs. In 1881 Buechler moved out on the P. P. Kleinsasser farm. A little later Dubs sold out to John and George Schamber. After staying for a little while on the P. P. Kleinsasser place Buechler moved back to Freeman and built a house on the present First National Bank corner which was moved west and is the present



FIRST BUILDING IN FREEMAN
on present Schamber corner which
is today the Laber Meat Market.



The first building moved out here
from Yankton in 1879 was replaced
by the above brick building in
1900.

John Wagner home. The present First National Bank building was erected in 1907.

In 1883 C. Buechler and John Gross erected the corner building on the present Dr. E. J. Hofer corner building lot for a hotel. In 1881 Philip Gross opened a saloon in a building near the present municipal saloon. A daughter was born to Mrs. Philip Gross which was the first child born in Freeman. She died in North Dakota not long ago. John Feiok opened a harness shop on the present K&K Store location. Henry Dewald and C. Guenthner opened a hardware store on the Wipf Bros. corner and later this became the Guenthner & Haar store. The first owners were C. Guenthner, Fred Haar, Henry Dewald and Gottlob Schmidtgall.

In 1901 they sold out to Wipf Bros. Haar went into the implement business and Guenthner into the drug store business a little later. Joseph Bohrer opened a saloon in 1883. In 1884 Henry Kieth and Henry Nuss started a lumber yard but later sold out to St. Croix Lumber Co. In 1882 the St. Paul Lutheran church was organized and Rev. Melcher served. A building was erected in 1886 and the present church building was built in 1899.

In 1881 there was not one residence in town. Buechlers lived above the store. In 1881 a public school was started in a little building on the present park grounds and Rev. John L. Wipf was the teacher at \$15.00 a month. The next school building was the present J. C. Neufeld house, erected in the 80's and for a time served as City Hall.

In 1885 C. Buechler opened a bank in the present Laber Meat Market.

Up till 1885 Freeman was without a drug store. People in those days had great faith in home remedies and coming down in the point our modern doctors tell us faith plays a big role in a cure. But be that as it may, a drug store was opened in Freeman in 1885 on the present Undertaker Walter lot, by Farley. A little later Farley sold out to Groves and Groves sold out to John Gross in 1889 and Gross sold out to Dayton. When Dr. A. A. Wipf graduated from Rush Medical College in Chicago in 1895 he and his cousin J. W. Wipf embarked in the drug store business till after 1904 when they sold out to C. Guenthner & Son, later to J. J. Pullman. In 1912 the drug store was sold to John K. Hofer and is still here, but in another building. The other drug stores were Herman Janke, Otto Temple. D. A. Corkill bought from Temple in 1928, sold to Emil Hirsch in 1930, bought back in 1933 and has been here ever since.

THE POST OFFICE

To become a postmaster in the early days it was not necessary to take civil service examination and have your qualifications weighed. There was a little more than nothing to do in a country post office. A farmer came to town once a week and here at Freeman the Dakota Freie Presse was about the only paper received and that only by some. But for the last 40 years it's considered a big plum. When Wm. Dewald was postmaster in the 90's the salary amounted to \$1 a day. In those days they had to meet the train—that meant two trips a day for Dewald to the depot with a mail sack on the back, and a little mail in the corner of the sack. Today they are sweating in the post office to handle the mail. The first postmaster was Wm. Kieth, the second was John Schamber, the third was Farley, the fourth was C. Guenthner, the fifth was Wm. Dewald, the sixth was Dr. A. A. Wipf, the seventh was P. R. Stading, the eighth was C. Oldewurtel, the ninth was Mrs. C. Oldewurtel, the tenth was Francis Smidt, the eleventh was A. A. Schmidt, who is the present postmaster.

NEWSPAPER

The Freeman Courier was established in 1901, the first issue went into the mail April 11, 1901. The Parkston Courier was established in 1897 but the town was too small for two papers. Osborn of Springfield bought the plant and started the Freeman Courier. We had bought a farm on the edge of town on the installment plan. The town was very anxious to have a paper but Osborn and his partner decided to quit and the town went after us to buy the paper and quit teaching school in winter. Their talking point was in case of crop failure we will not be able to pay the installment plan prices but by having the paper we would always have some income and we decided to buy. There is nothing wrong in following your bent in life when deciding on your life's work but we never dreamed of the newspaper business.

BANKING BUSINESS

It took many years before Freeman had a substantial banking institution. C. Buechler had started the first bank in 1883. Reif of Marion opened a bank here. Frank Buck opened a bank here but all these banks were in business for only

a short time. In the latter 90's Buechler established the Freeman State Bank but he discontinued the business after a few years. In 1899 Gotthelf of Parker and John Schamber of Freeman established the Merchants State Bank. The First National Bank of Freeman was established in 1902 and now we have two strong banking institutions.

The first board of directors for the Merchants State Bank in August 1899 were John Schamber, L. K. Lord, M. J. Gotthelf and Christ Guenthner. The construction of the new brick building was in 1913-14. Present officers are Jacob J. Wollmann, President; Henry L. Gross, Vice President; J. J. Tschetter, Cashier; Harris L. Hofer, Assistant Cashier. Present directors are Henry L. Gross, Fred J. Stolp, J. J. Tschetter, Jacob J. Wollmann, Michael J. Wollmann.

The First National Bank charter is dated March 29, 1902. (No. 6181). Operation began March 14, 1902 in rented quarters owned by Benj. Waltner, now the Huber Motor Service building. Articles of incorporation were drawn January 17, 1902, with Joseph P. Graber, Benj. Waltner, Jacob J. Waltner and John J. Waltner. Plans were drawn in 1906 by Boyer & Boyer Contractors and Builders of Yankton, South Dakota, and construction of the new bank building started in the spring of 1907. The first officers were Jacob J. Waltner, President; John C. Mueller, Vice President; Benj. Waltner, Second Vice President; Andr. J. Waltner, Cashier; and Emil J. Waltner, Asst. Cashier. Present officers (1958) are J. J. Waltner, President; Adolph J. Waltner, Vice President; G. H. Waltner, Vice President; Milton T. Mehlhaf, Cashier; Ralph Korn, Bookkeeper; and Robert Tschetter, Bookkeeper. Present Directors are J. J. Waltner, Adolph J. Waltner, G. H. Waltner, John Waltner Jr. and David J. Mueller.

BARBER BUSINESS

In the early days men wore whiskers and beauty shops for the women were unknown. The men had their haircuts and shaves at home or by some neighbor. It took many years before a tonsorial artist dared to put up a barber sign. The first barber in Freeman was G. T. Zeller in the latter 90's. Today we have three barber shops: the Will Wilde shop, the Leon Gering shop and the Jake Gering shop. Wilde started in 1914, Jake Gering in 1910, and Leon Gering in 1914.

BLACKSMITH SHOP

Our first three blacksmiths were Jacob Gross, Jacob Wipf and Alex Wipf. It was the custom in the old country to learn a trade. Those knowing the blacksmith trade had a good opening here, surrounded by an exceptionally industrious farming country. Later our blacksmiths were Dan Wiegum, Ferd Janke, Chas. Mutschelknaus, Jacob Delzer, Andrew Delzer, Fred Wallender, Chas. Wilde and the present blacksmith is Oliver Kaufman and Helmuth Mutschelknaus. Jacob Gross was the father of the late John J. Gross. Jacob Wipf was the father of Mrs. Paul R. Hofer and Alex Wipf was the father of Alex Wipf.

HOTEL INDUSTRY

Freeman was a good trading point and was never overlooked by agents. But traveling men had to live on cheese and crackers. C. Buechler and John Gross opened a hotel on the present Dr. Hofer corner. Later Dan Mehrer opened a hotel on the present Jack & Jill corner and he kept open until 1906 when he moved to Dallas. Frank Zickrick also operated a hotel here. The third hotel was built by Jacob Kautz on the present Co-op Oil Company corner. The present Freeman Hotel was erected by Anthony Miller, built in 1952, a place the town can feel proud of.

GRAIN BUYERS

The first grain buyer in Freeman was John Borman who came from Iowa and he started buying grain here in the 90's. The farmers here were hard workers, and in a few years had a large acreage under cultivation and many grain houses were needed. At first they had only flat-houses. Grain buyers had to work hard. Today they press the button and the work is done but in the early days the grain was hauled in sacks. The buyer had to take each sack and cart it on the scale and after it was weighed it was carted to the storage bin. When they had enough grain in the bin to fill a car the grain was carted into the car. A farmer elevator was erected back in the 80's. John L. Hofer was the first manager and C. Buechler was the first president of the Co-op. Grain Co. The present grain elevators are Farmers Coop. Grain Assn., Park Lane and Shanard Elevator. In 1900 we had 8 grain elevators.

LIVERY BARN

Every little boy knows what a garage is but only old people know what a livery barn is. In the early days the livery barn was very important. If an agent went through he went to the livery barn for a team to go to the next town. If a doctor had a call he went to the livery barn whether it was midnight or any other time of the day. The first Freeman livery barn was located south of the present Thompson Yard and his house was on the east end of the lot, lately occupied by the Aaron Koerner family. It was wrecked in spring of 1957. Henry Pfeiffer was the owner of the first livery barn and he was also a partner in the lumber business. Jacob A. Wollman owned the livery barn on the present Schamber Service Station corner. Jake Reuther was also one who ran the livery barn.

STORES IN FREEMAN

In 1900 Freeman had ten stores. The first store in Freeman opened by Buechler in 1879 and 20 years later ten stores—that shows Freeman always enjoyed a large trade territory. The following are the names of the places: Schamber's Store on the corner, in 1882. M. Wollmann quit in Marion and bought the Huber and Schempp store in 1886. Next was John Feiok's store that was sold to K.&K. Co. in 1910. C. Wacker and Ed Walz opened a store, then changed to Wacker and M. Kleinsasser. Later Joe I. Walter became the owner of the store, after that his son Arthur became the owner. The Kaufman and Waltner store was located on the south side of the Huber Motor Co. and the building is the present home for Aged building. A Gering's store was on the present post office lot. The Baer Bros. store is the present Ellwein Co. store that was built by Paul and Andrew Kleinsasser and later was sold to Baer Bros. On the Standard Service Station corner was the Geo. Gross store. In 1901 Wipf Bros. bought the Guenthner & Haar store. Hofer & Tschetter store was south of the Thompson Yards. Two were hardware stores, Wipf Bros. and Baer Bros. M. Wollmann was in partnership with Jacob Hieb in Marion since 1883. Jacob Hieb was in partnership with C. Buechler from 1879 to 1883 when Buechler sold his interest to M. Wollmann.

In 1889 Peter Goertz of Marion, John W. Tschetter of Freeman and George Gross, who was farming 4 miles west of Freeman, bought the corner lot where the Huber Gas Station is located now and conducted a general merchandise business until the company dissolved a few years later. Goertz and Tschetter sold out to Gross who was now the sole owner. Goertz was a former clerk in the Jacob Hieb store in Marion and held that position until he retired. The Goertz dwelling house in Freeman was sold to C. Baer. Gross added a furniture store to his line of general merchandise. In 1907 Gross died and the Freeman Mercantile Co. continued the business.

After John W. Tschetter sold his interest in the corner store he formed a partnership with Andrew Hofer. They opened a general merchandise business in the building just south of the present Thompson Yards office, which stayed there until they retired.

In 1890 Paul Kleinsasser and Andrew Kleinsasser erected the present main building of the Ellwein Dewald Co. store and besides were handling machinery business. After they were in business for a few years Wm. Dewald took it over and later it was sold to Baer Bros. and Baer Bros. sold to Ellwein Dewald & Co., and added the

BAKERY

We have had several bakeries. The present bakery is operated by Mr. and Mrs. LaVern Mettler, a good place to buy your baked goodies.

FREEMAN FLOUR MILL

A live place like Freeman was an inducement to one interested in a flour mill. John Williams, a Spring Valley farmer, established a flour mill in Freeman in 1896, but after two years sold it to C. Buechler and opened a store in Dalmeny, Canada, where he died in 1923. Mrs. Williams lived in Freeman and at the F. C. Ortman Home for Aged. About 1940 C. Buechler sold the mill to P. P. and Ike Kleinsasser. Later the mill was destroyed by fire. The location is the present Park Lane place where they are buying grain and manufacture all kinds of stock feeds.

SALOONS IN FREEMAN

Freeman had three saloons for several years, Jake Reuther, Frank Zickrick and John Kleinsasser. The town was voted dry in 1913 but the result was not what was expected. The law was passed, but all was in vain. You can't improve a man morally by force.

hardware line and general merchandise. Owners were Wm. Dewald, Jacob Ellwein, Dave Ellwein, Ed. Ellwein, Emil Ellwein and Leo Ellwein since 1914 and the Ellweins are still in business in 1958.

In 1893 Aaron Peters erected a two story building on the present Huber Motor lot and opened a store. Later he sold out to Kaufman and Waltner and the building was sold to Peter C. Graber for a home, which is the present Salem Home for Aged building.

Fred Jundt moved into Freeman from the farm in 1902. He formed a partnership with Christ Guenthner and operated a general merchandise store under the name of Guenthner & Jundt. This business sold out to John Walz, Jr. Mr. Jundt then worked at odd jobs for a short time. Then he went into general merchandise again under the firm name of Jundt-Ellwein. This business dissolved after several years. For a short time he worked for M. Wollmann as a clerk in the store. Then he formed a partnership with John M. Wollmann, Otto Gering and Jacob H. Wipf, which was general merchandise, hardware and furniture, and operated under the name of Peoples' Department Store. This business was sold about 1925-26. Then he opened a combination variety store and bakery with John Schuldt, in the present John K. Hofer building, which Mr. Jundt owned. Poor health forced him to sell out the business and retire. The building he retained and leased to a baker.

Sam Preheim was operating furniture and 5 and 10c store in 1923 and sold out in 1943 to the present Co-op Oil and Gas, when a new brick building was erected by the Co-op later.

Guenthner & Jundt, also Jundt-Ellwein were operated in the building presently occupied by Art Walter and Dr. A. A. Walter. People's Dept. Store was in the present Art Walter Furniture Store. In 1918 John M. Wollmann bought the People's Store, in about 1938 sold out to Gelfand, and Ferd Walter was the next owner in the old M. Wollmann building. In 1910 K.&K. Co. opened a store in Freeman and was sold in 1957 to Talley Berhard. Miller's Red & White opened in 1938. It was sold to Kenneth Wieland in 1950.

IMPLEMENT DEALERS

In 1882 Guenthner & Haar started. In 1901 Haar started his business. The Haar family made an exceptional record when it comes to implement business, over 75 years conducting an implement

business. The third generation of Haars is now running the business. Alfred Haar is the present manager. In the old days A. Gering, A. D. Schmidt, Paul and Andrew Kleinsasser, and M. Wollmann were selling machinery but only for a short time. In 1909 the Farmers Implement Co. was organized. In 1911 this company was incorporated under the name of Farmers Co-operative Co. and operated as such until 1946. In 1946 Eldon H. Graber and Eldon P. Senner formed a partnership and bought the business. In 1944 a modern new 110'x50' brick and tile building with a quonset storage was erected. The other implement dealer is Jack's Implement.

GARAGES

Freeman today has a number of Garages, a welding shop and a body shop; so your car troubles can all be cured in Freeman. Their names are the Square Deal, J. J. Albrecht owner; the Huber Motor; the Gross Garage; Goehring's Body Shop; the Co-op Oil Co.; the Gross Welding Shop; and the Freedom Garage, etc.

GAS STATIONS

We have several gas stations. The Haar's Service Station, the White Eagle Service Station, the Huber Service Station, the Co-op. Service Station and the Schamber Service Station. If you run out of gas it's your own fault.

TELEPHONE EXCHANGE

The Freeman Telephone Exchange was installed by J. W. Wipf and C. Guenthner in 1902. In 1906 was sold to Josua S. Hofer and M. K. Hofer and shortly after to J. J. Mendel. In 1917 it was sold to ten East Freeman farmers and later it was sold to the present owner, Carl Beier.

FREEMAN LIGHT PLANT

In 1914 Math Hafner, R. Dewald, A. W. Gross and J. J. Mendel built an electric light plant in Freeman. After a year or so Hafner traded his shares for land at Dallas. In 1917 Dewald and Gross sold out to Mendel who operated it till 1927, then sold out to Northwestern Public Service Co.

MEAT MARKETS

In a new town there is not much of a demand for a meat market because people raise their own pigs and chickens and keep a cow. But Guenthner & Haar opened a meat market in the early days where the Thompson Yard is now located. A little later they sold out to Rueude Bros. Philipp Mensch arrived from Russia in 1889 and worked for them for a year at \$175.00 a year and board. In 1894 they sold out to Philipp Mensch. For a time Andrew Delzer and Jacob Reinschmidt were in the meat market business. Mensch was in business till 1907 when he sold out to Butcher Tschetter and Tschetter retired in 1928 and in 1930 L. W. Morfeld and Henry Bierman bought the present building meat market. Now Leo Laber is the manager since 1948, after being employed since 1934. John J. Schrag was in the meat market business on the Krueger corner.

HARNESS SHOPS

A. Kautz came to Freeman in 1901 and opened a harness shop but conditions changed so much from horse power to motor power and since nine years ago he devoted much time to furniture repairing and canvas repairing.

DRAY LINE

The first building in a railroad town is a depot. If a store opens in that town there must be a drayman to haul goods from the depot to the store. In Freeman the first dray line was operated by Mr. Whiler, then by Henry Pfeiffer, and Jake A. Kleinsasser was the drayman for many years. Others were Henry Mensch and Henry Wilde, Ben Graber in 1919 and sold out in 1943 to Jacob E. Hofer, the present drayman. Among the draymen was R. Baer.

SHOE SHOPS

Andrew Gering started a shoe shop in 1909. In 1931 his son Charley took it over. Later Henry P. Graber also opened a shoe repair shop. Others in this business were C. J. Janzen and Chas. A. Kaufman.

JEWELRY STORES

The first jewelry store in Freeman was opened by Rev. Joseph Kaufman, who with all his other work, found time and interest for that line of work. Later his son, George, took over the business.

In point of service, Henry C. Gering, better known by his nickname, "BONES," operated his jewelry business for a longer time than any other jeweler. The present jewelers in Freeman are Oscar Gering and Leonard Dubs.

CREAMERY

Freeman had two creameries in the early days. All the milk was taken to town and had to be separated in the creamery, then the farmer took the milk home for the pigs and the calves and the creamery paid the farmer for the cream. About 1900 the news spread that now small cream separators are made for the farmer and he can separate the milk at home. That created a demand for cream buyers and we soon had them, but had no creamery. But in the course of time a move was made to locate a creamery in Freeman and the present Co-op Creamery is the result. Manager Bruun is an exceptional hustler and today the Freeman Creamery is sending out trucks every day to gather the cream and eggs.

In the middle 90's a new institution sprang up and that was the creamery. It was easy to see that the town with a creamery had a big advantage in getting trade. The farmer will buy where he gets his cream check. Competition is the life of a town and it was in this case. A. Gering and his brother Peter started the first creamery in Freeman north of the stock yards. The next step was Bridgewater and Freeman started a creamery between Bridgewater and Freeman. Joe L. and Joe M. Hofer had a store in Bridgewater and they were back of this move. The Schempp creamery was moved on the P. J. Kleinsasser block and is now the home of Mrs. Jeremiah Pollman. The first creamery was moved on the Jake M. Huber block. All the creamery enthusiasm died a natural death when the small cream separator came in use and every farmer had one. Before that the farmer hauled his milk in town to have it separated and took the milk back home for the pigs and calves, selling the cream to the creamery.

Since 1930 we have the present Co-op creamery with Walt Bruun as manager.

RESTAURANTS AND OTHER BUSINESS

A. A. Waldner started the Sugar Bowl. After running this for some time, the building was destroyed by fire. Jonathan Waltner bought the south lot and built up was called the New Sugar Bowl in the spring of 1922. He operated this for

three years, when he passed away in 1925. Arthur Graber rented the place for a couple of years. In 1927 John A. Wipf bought the building and moved his plumbing and heating into the building. John started the plumbing and heating business in 1921 in the Pullman building which is the present Mike Walter Furniture Store. A year after Jonathan Waltner built the Sugar Bowl, A. A. Waldner built up the Shack on the next lot, which he sold to Henry X. Miller who sold it to Ehrisman, who ran

the restaurant for a number of years, after which Tom Kaufman bought. The present manager of the restaurant is Ernie Stoebner. The name now is City Cafe. During the depression in 1934 John A. Wipf added the Gamble Store to his plumbing and heating. In 1939 he severed connections with Gamble and changed to Coast-to-Coast Stores. Willis Wipf operated a radio repair shop since 1943 and after serving the Marines he added his T.V. repair shop.

The People of Freeman and Rural Districts

The town of Freeman and the rural districts were settled by people, nearly all coming from Russia, with a few exceptions coming from Scandinavian and German countries. Those coming from Russia originally came from Germany and are called German Russians. They immigrated to Russia in 1773 and later. The settlements here were named after their villages in Russia. For instance, the settlers in Kassel township came from the village of Kassel in Russia. The people in Heilbronn came from the village of Heilbronn in Russia, etc. When they moved to Russia from Germany they named the villages in Russia after their village in Germany. We make this explanation because of the grandchildren who do not know this. No doubt many will also ask themselves why their forefathers moved from one country to another. Here is the answer: The common man has always been opposed to peace time military training. He's for anything that looks like peace, Wilson's slogan, "He kept us out of war" appealed to the common man. Roosevelt's statement, "If I am elected president no sons will go across to fight in Europe," appealed to the common man, etc.

This country received millions of settlers from Europe because we had no peace time military training. The common man of 100 years ago felt the same way. The word "peace" appealed to him. Go back in history and you will find Czarina Katherina II ascended the throne in Russia in 1762. As a moral character she deserves not much respect, but she had a business eye and was very shrewd in business affairs. She was convinced that Russia has not the class of people that will build up her country like the people of Germany would. She had visited several countries and found the people more industrious, but the big problem was how to induce the people to come to Russia—that was the big question. The best inducement she could think of was to offer military exemption to

all the German people that come to locate in Russia and in 1773 she issued this imperial edict, exemption from Military service for 100 years. The result was that people flocked from all over Europe—Germany, Austria, Holland and other places to Russia. They were all promised religious freedom but were not allowed to do mission work in Russia which was a strictly Greek Catholic country and all those entering promised to do no mission work.

When 100 years were over they did not go back to the country they came from. They immigrated to the United States and they were called German Russians. Here they helped to develop the best country in the world, the country they have and like.

The pioneers began to arrive here in the early 70's. Hutchinson County was surveyed in 1862 and in 1871 organized by John Henry and Thomas Maxwell with its county boundaries. The first election was held October 8, 1872. A place south of Olivet was called Maxwell City and this was the county seat, but in 1871, Olivet, a Biblical name, was made the county seat. The county was named after John H. Hutchinson, the first Secretary of State of Dakota Territory, as reported by Doane Robinson.

These pioneers had very little money but they had hope, courage and ambition. The mother city of Yankton was the closest railroad town. The Milwaukee completed the road from Sioux City to Yankton in 1873. The land office was at Yankton and men at the office were always ready to locate the immigrants.

The first thing on the program upon arriving at Yankton was to look for an ox team or a team of horses. After he had a team he slowly wended his way north through the tall grass. Sometimes a horse and an ox were hitched together. The

future was dark. There were hopes and anxieties about the qualities of the land, and it took much courage to undertake building up and developing of a new and untried region, but all were embued with ambition and enthusiasm.

After reaching this locality and picking their homestead, some kind of a home was needed. The sod house or shanty was put up and some mud houses were built. Along the Jim River some had log cabins. They had the timber. Soon small claim shacks began to dot the prairies. For the wall sod or mud was used and over the planked roof loose earth or sod was spread. A little later the thatched or straw roof was used on some buildings. In some cases planks of native timber were used. As poor as these old timers were, they had to face blizzards, prairie fires, grasshopper plagues and other ravages of nature. Snowstorms blew snow through the key hole into the room and piled up inside. There were no plowed fields to stop a prairie fire.

The people were industrious and soon these shacks were replaced by better homes and family life changed. The home was arranged similar to the homes in Russia. The house had only a dirt floor. A brick kiln separated the house into two rooms. This kiln was called a Russian stove and served them for heating and cooking. The bread was baked in this oven, in long pans; borst, sauerkraut, baked potatoes, roasted meats, etc. The oven was heated with straw or hay. There was very little furniture in the house and often when visitors came boxes had to be used.

Family Life

People were simple but sociable. In Russia they lived in villages and the change here made them feel very lonesome. To break lonesomeness they hitched up a team and the whole family would drive to neighbors to spend Sunday afternoon or evening. The homestead bride was a very modest damsel. No formality on their wedding day. Nobody dreamed of a honeymoon trip or a long writeup in a newspaper. Hand in hand they proceeded to their plain home to share life's joys and sorrows. A rolling pin, a potato masher and some plain pieces of home made furniture was all the newly weds expected — and they were satisfied because they knew only simplicity of life. Women used a piece of a red handkerchief for a hair ribbon, no face powder decorations, simple clothing, no white and brown shoes, a pair of boots (Rohrstiefel) for men. The shoes were

bought big enough to save the search for a corn cure. High heels were not known. The stockings mother knitted, did not have all kinds of colors, like Jacob's coat. The home was illuminated with tallow dips or candles. The water was pulled up in a bucket from a well. In cases of sickness the neighbors were very helpful and accommodating, not only in helping with the work but also in suggesting treatments. They would come and sit up through the hours of the night with the afflicted one. It was a neighborly duty with them to render this service, which is being done today by a special nurse. In case of death undertakers were unknown. The neighbors would continue their service sitting up with the departed, digging the grave and performing other acts of helpfulness. To charge for this service would have been a disgrace. The coffin was homemade by some local carpenter. Flowers for the coffin were absent. The doctor in those days had to be a real hero to respond to a call 30 or 40 miles away.

The Christmas spirit moved quietly in those days. A cheap doll for a girl and a cheap toy for a boy. In those days holidays were not as much commercialized as today. The "why" was more impressed on the children. On Sunday morning the whole family drove to church, some by horse, some by ox team drawing a lumber wagon. Services were much longer than today.

A party who has been a clerk in a Freeman store for almost fifty years says in the old days women came to town twice a year, spring and fall. Store conditions have changed and so have customers. The customers are harder to satisfy than they used to be because there are so many varieties to select from.

Parents living on the farm who had children of school age found it inconvenient here compared to Russia where they lived in a village. At first the school term was only three months but soon the school year was much longer. Dressing was very simple. Evenings were spent at home by young and old. Fathers were busy making some home-made articles and mothers kept their spinning wheel running. Youngsters were busy making some playthings at home, yet those pioneer children and grandchildren enjoyed life just as much, if not more, than many today who are spoiled by their indulgences.

In those early days people believed in going to bed early. They believed in the saying, "Early to bed, and early to rise, makes a man healthy, wealthy and wise." When one borrowed money from another, the man who borrowed the money took the money and the note so he would know

when the note is due. That shows their honesty and confidence in each other.

The children were always under home influence while today so many are under outside influence. The auto contributes much to this change. We do not want to be a calamity howler, but it's an actual fact, in pioneer days, the people young and old, were more content and more grateful than now with all our modern conveniences and the highest standard of living in the world, and possessing the highest degree of intelligence attainable. This "push button age" is not enough appreciated by our present generation. A person must go through hardship before he can appreciate good days. Too many are born today with a golden spoon in his mouth.

Pioneer Farming

Early day farming was a matter of hard work and very limited return for your sweat, just barely sufficient for food supply and a few dollars in cash. These new settlers were all farmers in the old country and they were determined to stick to that occupation here in America. They knew how to operate a farm in the old country but it was like an experiment station to them here. No county agent could be consulted for advice. The government had three methods of granting land. The government was very anxious to have the land settled. A man or a woman had a chance to file on a homestead, filing fee was \$14.00 and you had to live on the land. You could also file on a timber claim and plant 10 acres of trees. You could also file on a preemption after you filed on a homestead. It cost \$200.00 to prove a timber claim. If one could prove that one did not live on his homestead, he could contest the title. They were called "claim jumpers" and were very unpopular. In the early days when land was opened for settlement people rushed for land like thirsty cattle to a pond.

The first thing a farmer needed was a walking plow to turn the sod. The power to pull the plow was usually an oxteam. Today if you want more power you give more gas. At that time they used a bigger whip or twisted the oxtail for more power. Other machines needed were a seeder and a drag. Much sowing was done by hand. They also needed a grass mower, rake and harvester for cutting the grain. For the binding straw was used as long as the binding was by hand. In a few years the self-binder was invented. At first wire was used for binding but they changed to twine binding because cattle died due to wire in

the straw. Mice and crickets liked the change. For corn planting the hand planter was used and some claimed to plant as many as 9 acres a day. They worked long hours in the early days. 9 acres meant walking many miles in plowland.

Threshing seemed to have a social side for the young people because there was a crew of some 20 people. If not enough beds some slept in the haymow. Mother had to work hard to feed the crew. The machine was driven by a horsepower, 5 to 7 teams walking in a circle. They protected gardens by a ditch around the garden to keep livestock out. Labor was paid 75c a day or \$15.00 a month. To get a supply of flour, wheat was taken to the mill and exchanged for flour.

In the early days people cooperated without a Co-op. Co. organization. If a building was lost all the neighbors helped to build it without pay. The winter of 1880-1881 had many snow storms and the snow on the flat roofs of the barns of mud and sod caved in and the cows had to be taken out of the barn through the roof.

The closest market was Yankton and produce was hauled to Yankton by ox team and wheat sold at 40c a bushel, eggs 6c, butter 6c. But the time from 1890 to 1900 improved much. Old homes and barns were replaced by new ones, more modern machinery was used. Steam engines were being used, and gasoline engines came in for threshing and other purposes. More buggies and carriages were bought. Salaries for teachers varied from \$16 to \$50 a month. Close to 1900 land price raised to \$50 an acre and many went north to file on land. What would the old pioneer, who went to his eternal resting place some 65 years ago say if he would see the present conditions:—airplanes flying, autos moving 90 miles an hour, combines cutting and threshing the grain, when he had to cut, bind, shock, stack and then thresh his grain. Or compare the tractor plowing to oxteam plowing or take the conveniences in the house:—the electric washer, ironing, etc. Hauling the grain to Yankton at 40c a bushel seems trouble enough.

The year 1879 when the first train whistle was heard in Freeman ended much trouble, and developed many wonderful improvements. The first train whistle in Freeman was sweeter music to the old timers, than anything that was ever sung here since that time and we know how much good singing is heard in Freeman.

Why Some Moved North

Land raised in price and young people went north to file on land. By 1900 land sold at \$15 to \$25 an acre.

RURAL SETTLEMENTS

MOLAN

We had good rural settlements. Molan was settled by people coming from Scandinavia, Russian and from the eastern states. The first one to homestead were Christ Carter in 1876, Christ Hansen and Sam Hansen came in 1880, H. G. Mosby arrived in 1879. Others arriving in 1880 were Peter Jorstad, John M. Downer, John Nieu's father. In 1879 we find the Hehns, Gottlieb Wagner, H. P. Harnisch, C. Maas, L. Oswald, C. P. Dickman, etc. Ourtown was the post office. No conveniences in those days. B. Solberg carried a 50 lb. sack of flour from Gayville where he worked up here. H. G. Mosby's mother carried eggs, the price was 5c a dozen, butter 5c a lb., to the store at the bridge and walked to Yankton to do the shopping. These new settlers, the old timers always liked to talk about their experiences. In 1882 John M. Downer went to Yankton to celebrate July 4th. Sitting Bull was there from Fort Randall with a guard of 20 U. S. soldiers. Mr. Downer shook hands with Sitting Bull, the Indian Chief who weighed about 300 lbs., was dressed in Sioux robes and smoked a pipe that reached down to his waist. Christ Hansen and Sam Hausen came in 1888. H. G. Mosby in 1879, from New York. Peter Jorstad, John Weier's, father, Christ Carter, came in 1876. The first child born in the settlement was H. C. Edelman. For a while Newport was the post office, later Ourtown, and the last post office was Molan.

HEILBRONN

When Czarina Katharina ruled Russia she was looking for German settlers to build up her country, and the best inducement she could offer was exemption from military service for 100 years to the Germans because she knew they are industrious. This was in 1773 and many left Kassel, Johannesthal and Heilbronn in Germany and moved to Russia. In 1873 this exemption period expired and many moved to America, and those coming to this locality from Heilbronn in Germany called this place Heilbronn. Those arriving here in 1874 were Jacob Guenther, George Huber, Jake Huber, Jake Huber Sr., Jake Huber Jr., M. Huber, Martin Hafner, John Hafner, M. Schamber, Peter Zeeb, Peter Schoppert, Gottlieb Stern, Jake Stern. In 1875 and later others arrived here and in Johannesthal and Wolf Creek and Clayton. Others ar-

riving were Haar, Heins, Ellwein, Pfeiffer, Dewald, Nuss, Dubs, Walz, Mettler, etc. The Heilbronn community paid much attention to church and school. Their past record will verify this statement. At first services were held in homes and also school. Rev. Doescher preached in Johannesthal in 1874 and in Heilbronn in 1875. In 1876 the Heilbronn congregation was organized and a church building was erected in 1878, the first church building in the county and was located one mile north of the old location on the Henry Hafner farm. Hafner donated the land. The present church building was erected in 1924. In the absence of the minister John Dubs conducted the reading service and also had charge of the Children Catechism class. For twenty years he served as elder. Only a few communities maintained a parochial school and Heilbronn is one. In 1893 a building was erected and used for a school and home and teacher Wenzlaff had charge of the school till 1913 when he died. In 1912 a new school house was built and the old one was used for a home. When Metz was teacher the enrollment was 30 and church membership was 180.

KASSEL

The Kassel settlement started in 1874 by people coming from Kassel in Russia, and some came from northwest of Yankton where they settled down first. Ludwig Mehlhaf who died in 1847 at the age of 82 years was the first settler here. Others arriving are John, Jake, George, Philip, and Fred Neuharth, Ludwig, Konrad, Philip, Martin and Valentine Pressler. John Hoff and others came from Yankton and Lesterville where they settled in 1873.

The Kassel church was organized in 1879 and Rev. Orth was the first pastor. The Kassel church was served by Rev. Bonekempfer, Rev. Platgen, Rev. Scheidt, Rev. Hofer, and Rev. Huehneman.

KLEINKASSEL

This settlement was named Kleinkassel because north of Menno is the big Kassel settlement. This settlement started in 1874. Many of the settlers arrived in 1879. The first to arrive were John

Koerner, Adam Nuss, Henry Goehring, Geo. Becker, Peter Bentz, Mike Haff, John Reich, and George Aman. All were full of hope. They bought a small building from Franz Walter for a school house. At first church services were held in the house, but in 1896 a church building was erected and used till 1931 when it was sold to John J. Koerner, and a new building was erected. Rev. Orth was the minister. Church and school always had first attention by these people.

JOHANNESTHAL

All other settlements were named after their village in Russia and so was Johannesthal. The settlement started in 1874 when all was wild prairie. The people were directed here by Baum and Dickman. All settlers here were from Johannesthal, Russia, except the Holzwarths were from Rohrbach in Russia. The first settlers were Andrew Bertsch, Christ Auch, Philip Holzwarth, John Schatz, Christ Delzer, John Schemp, Jacob Schatz, and Fred Mutschelknaus. At first church services were held in the house. Up to 1879 Rev. Doescher served the Heilbronn and Johannesthal people, but in 1879 Johannesthal erected a small church and was served by a reformed minister. In 1880 Rev. Melcher organized the Wolf Creek Church and in 1885 they divided and some members that left the Wolf Creek Church organized the Congregational Church. The settlement soon prospered. A church was erected which serves even today. The Kassel

and the Johannesthal Reformed Churches are served by the same minister. The Menno and the Kassel Reformed Churches were at first one congregation, but in 1891 they separated and now there are two congregations. The present ministers are Rev. Wm. Korn and Rev. Kaempchen. The Kassel Church was organized in 1874.

CLAYTON

The Clayton settlement started in 1870 and some of the first settlers were Langle, Jans, Rademacher, Guericke, Liebl, Mettler, Decomaz, Kuhlman, etc. This settlement soon developed into a prosperous community. They have three churches to serve the community; the Clayton Lutheran Church, The Congregational Church, and the Wolf Creek Lutheran Church. The nine charter members of the Clayton Church are Henry Harnisch, Henry Kitzman, Henry Schemp, Ernest Kapsch, John Drewitz, Louis Ahrendt, John Keiper, Valentine Keiper, and Conrad Guericke. At first services were held in homes, later in school. John Keiper and Kuhlman settled in 1882. They came from Iowa. Conrad Guericke, Henry Kuhlman, Gottlieb Stern, Peter Schoppert, Henry Dickman, and Jacob Huber settled in 1874. Henry Mayer and John Mettler, Philip Schneider and Peter Schneider settled in 1875. Steve Jaton, and Henry and Albert Jaton settled a little later. Mike, Jake, and Philip Stern came in 1874.

THINGS OF INTEREST—CITY OF FREEMAN

1900 - 1957

1900

C. Mutschelknaus is erecting a building in the south part of town and will sell the Plano machines. A new school building is erected and the old school building was sold to the town for a City Hall. Schamber Bros. are moving their Store building on a lot east side of Main Street and will erect a new two story brick building.

1901

Kaufman and Waltner erected a new two-story building now the Huber Corner. Dr. Lifaskny of Chicago opened an office above Schamber's Store. Frank Zikrick opened a Saloon in the Schrag building. A passenger train was put on our branch line. School enrollment is 141 in Freeman. Beers is the Principal. Jake Reuther erected a new livery barn on the present Schamber Service Station corner. J. J. and Joe L. Wipf bought the Guenthner and Haar Hardware Store. Over 40 horses dropped dead in harvest from heat. Dave Ellwein bought the Tinner tools from Guenthner and Haar. The Freeman Cemetery Association bought lots from Henry Nuss for cemetery ground and paid \$35.00 for the lot. Dr. A. A. Wipf sold his interest in the Drug Store to C. Guenthner.

Gottlieb Wagner had the lowest bid and will haul the butter from the Molan Creamery to Menno at 11½ per tub.

The Molan Store was sold to C. Guenthner and he sold it to G. J. Dobler, who sold it again and moved to North Dakota.

The assessed valuation of Freeman is \$145,535.00. Money is being collected for a \$15,000.00 college.

Over 1000 trains stood still when McKinley was buried.

Jake H. Unruh, John W. Tschetter, R. Baer, Jake Ruther and M. J. Gotthelf erected new houses.

The State Fair is held at Yankton.

The County School Census shows 2431 boys and 2248 girls.

C. C. Vogt opened a photograph gallery.

It ought to be of interest to know why our County Seat was called Olivet. These early settlers were as a rule religious. The name of Olivet appealed to them because Olivet means "Member of Monastery," a home for aged men of religious retirement.

The County has 28 eighth grade graduates.

April 11, 1901 the first Freeman Courier was printed.

1902

The Freeman State Bank was opened by the Beuchlers. The First National Bank opened and with Jos. P. Graber as President, and A. J. Waltner, cashier. In this year's election 175 voted straight Republican 5 straight Democratic and 9 were scattered. Freeman was improved by cement sidewalks on Main Street. Dr. A. A. Wipf and Dave Ellwein erected new houses. A Telephone Exchange is installed. On June 17 a storm caused much damage. John Feiok is erecting a new store building. C. C. Vogt sold his gallery to John J. Gross. Henry Weber and Joseph Tschetter Jr. open a mill in Ashley, N. Dak. Up till June 1902 the Freeman Courier was printed by Osborn and Williams and after this was printed by J. J. Mendel.

1903

The first rural telephone line is now built south. Freeman has now 2 hotels, the Kautz and the Mehner. Henry Dewald, Guenthner of Bridgewater and Barney Nuss left for Russia on a visit. Delzer Bros. erected a new Blacksmith Shop.

1904

J. W. Wipf sold his share in the Drug Store and moves to Olivet. Jacob A. Wollmann sold his livery barn to F. L. Rosenkrans.

Jacob A. Wollmann sold his share in the elevator to his brother A. A. Wollmann.

Jacob A. Wollman sold his drayline to Henry Reede.

Freeman College has an enrollment of 114.

Dr. J. P. Isaac of Kansas located here.

1908

R. Dewald bought an interest in a Yale elevator and is now a grain buyer.

We now have 2 autos in Freeman, A. Kautz has one and Peter Fliginger one.

The John Schamber family moved to Wessington.

Dr. Henry J. Kaufman located in Freeman.

1905

Schatz and Aman quit their store in Marion.

The Molan Creamery was sold to C. Maas for \$175.

N. P. Christensen is now buying cream and eggs in Molan.

Secretary of State D. D. Wipf appointed J. J. Kleinsasser as 1st Clerk.

Jake M. Wollman accepted a position with the Merchants State Bank after clerking in the M. Wollman Store since 1886.

Paul Landman started a lumber yard in Freeman.

After July 1st every death and every birth must be reported to the County Seat.

The population of Freeman is 602.

1909

The St. Paul School enrollment is 70.

Guenthners sold the Dallas bank.

The Public School enrollment is 157.

A new St. Paul School building was built.

1910

Wm. L. Groves moved his family to Freeman from Sanborn, Iowa. He is the section boss now.

Wm. Borman moved to Canada.

John J. Schrag sold his meat market to John E. Kleinsasser.

R. Haar is now the Queal Lumber Co. Manager.

Ed. Ellwein's father bought the tin shop and Ed. is the tinner.

Wm. Jans sold his interest in the Bank to R. Dewald.

1906

Kleinsasser Bros. traded the roller mill for land in N. Dak.

1911

Rev. Brodland accepted to serve the Molan Salem congregation.

John E. Kleinsasser sold his Meat Market to Jake Haar.

1912

H. C. Gering opened a Jewelry Store.

C. J. Koerner bought the N. P. Christensen Saloon.

Druggist J. K. Hofer bought the Pollman Drug Store.

Baer Bros. sold their store to Dr. A. A. Wipf and Paul R. M. Hofer.

Math Hafner built a garage in Freeman.

1913

The Merchants State Bank erected a new building.

Gross John sold his Nursery to E. Cross.

1907

Dr. John L. Waldner opened an office in Parkston.

C. Wacker opened a store in Garrison N. Dak.

C. Guenthner and Sons opened a bank in Dallas.

Dr. J. H. Wipf has located in Freeman.

Jake Stolp sold the drayline to R. Baer.

Dr. M. M. Hofer located in Dallas.

Ike Kleinsasser opened an implement business in Dallas.

J. J. Kleinsasser bought the Geo. Gross furniture Store.

Emil Wenzel and Joe A. Hofer opened a store in Dallas.

C. Guenthner sold the Drug Store to Andrew Hofer and Jake J. Pollman for \$13,000.00.

Dewald and Walter sold the Marion Mill.

The St. Paul Lutheran Church observed their Silver Anniversary. 315 were baptized the past 25 years, 208 Confirmed, and 60 buried.

1914

Ellwein Dewald Co. took possession of the Baer Bros. Store.

Gering Bros. opened a Barbershop in the Merchants State Bank Basement.

Hanson and Gross are now owning the Molan Store.

A Light and Power Plant was started by Math Hafner, R. Dewald, A. W. Gross and J. J. Mendel.

M. Wollman sold his 2 elevators to Wipf Bros.

Wm. Wilde is learning the Barber trade in Omaha.

Ben Yopp bought a furniture store in Marion.

A. A. Waldner opened the Sugar Bowl.

1915

Atty. J. C. Graber located in Freeman.

1916

Joe I Walter opened a store.

The Post office was moved into the Guenthner Drug Store.

Schrag and Schrag moved into their new garage building.

Druggist J. K. Hofer is erecting a two-story brick building.

P. G. Wipf bought Joe L. Wipf's interest in the Freeman Mercantile Co.

1917

J. J. Mendel sold the telephone business and the present owners are Jos. J. Waltner Jr., B. C. Graber, Emil J. Graber, Jonath Jno. Graber, Adolph L. Waltner, Emil C. Gering, Jona A. Waltner, Jake J. Gering, John J. Gering.

M. K. Hofer erected a new elevator.

The Freeman Lumber Co. was started.

1918

The State Mo. Synod Lutheran Church bought the Hot Springs Hospital and called it the Martin Luther Sanatarium.

Jake A. Gering resigns as rural mail carrier.

Dr. A. A. Wollman Jr., started to practice dentistry.

A new Dormitory was built at the College.

Wm. Wilde bought the Ike Kleinsasser Barbershop.

Fred Haar business moved into its new location.

Jake T. Gross started to buy cream, and will make Ice Cream.

Otto Schamber bought the Spencer news.

1919

Jake T. Gross bought the old Merchants State building.

Wilde Bros. bought the Delzer Blacksmith Shop.

Henry Mensch sold his dray line to Henry Wilde.

Dr. M. J. Wollman opened an office in Freeman.

Ben Graber started dray line in 1919.

1920

John A. Wipf opened a Plumbing Shop.

1921

John T. Gross opened a cream station in Bridgewater.

Jacob S. Graber opened a Meat Market in Freeman.

J. J. Albrecht bought the Schrag garage.

1922

Joe T. Gross opened a cream station in Hitchcock.

1923

The College Gym was erected.

C. C. Unruh sold his invention for a washmachine for \$15,000.00.

Fred Haar opened an Implement Store in Olivet.

Hon. John Schamber died in Dec. 1923 in Hot Springs hospital age 67 years. When his doctor said his case is hopeless, he said "I am ready to go home." He served as County Treasurer and also as State Treasurer. He was very industrious and honest 7 days in the week.

1924

The First National Bank of Bridgewater was closed.

John Stucky opened a cleaning shop.

The Yankton Bridge was dedicated.

1929

Jake T. Gross started a hatchery in 1929.

1939

In 1939 the average salary of the teachers in this County is \$58.50 a month. In Turner County \$62.64, and in McCook it's \$60.62.

A. Kautz has been selected to do W. P. A. work in the line of repairing furniture. The work is free; you pay for material.

Clarence Gering of Freeman was appointed deputy County Auditor.

Dr. E. F. Tieszen is leaving Doland, coming back to Freeman to continue his practice.

A force of men are replacing the old walls of the Wipf Bros. Store and remodeling the store. The building was erected 57 years ago. A new front was put in.

The Schamber Bros. Store is being repaired and some changes made. The building is about 40 years old.

Rev. Bodeman, pastor of Menno and Freeman Reformed Churches, resigned and leaves for N. D.

Our Main Street was oiled in 1936 and needed repairing and now work has started in July.

Dr. M. M. Hofer's son, Robert, is busy making a new school bus. Bob does a good job for the community because its quite a convenience to farmers.

The Freeman Library was opened to the public in April with 210 books and has increased to 664 by September 300 people have read 2,964 books.

Wm. Morfeld Meat Market intends to install a locker system if enough people in and around are interested. Later—work has started.

Chas. Preheim is excavating a basement at the seed house that will be used for storing trees.

1940

Mrs. Stevenson was here from Springfield visiting at the John M. Wollman home. She will be better remembered here as Mrs. Osborn who started the paper here in the spring of 1901. After they had left here for some time Mr. Osborn died and she was married to Mr. Stevenson.

1957

Herb Fast is wrecking their house, it will be replaced by a modern home, it was the old Lutheran teacherage.

A swimming Pool Fund Drive is on in Freeman.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe M. Walter, of Miller, have taken charge of the Freeman Home for Aged, replacing Mr. and Mrs. Abe Fast.

Dr. Gerald B. Winrod of the Wichita, Kansas, Defender died at his home age of 57 years.

Leonard Preheim and Clarence Preheim opened a tire shop in the Ed. P. Hofer Building.

Dr. Villa and Dr. Irvin Kaufman opened an office in Bridgewater. Dr. Dennis Epp has also joined them.

Leonard Dubs opened a Jewelry Store in August in his building. The Dubs' also operate a lunch room.

Leonard Preheim and Clarence Preheim opened a Tire Shop and do vulcanizing in the Ed. P. Hofer building.

IN THE EARLY DAYS

Haul water to fight fire. It was something common in the early days, to see several barrels on a wagon hauling water for the stock. In case of a prairie fire, the protection was beating it with wet bags or plowing furrows to stop it from spreading.

Many have an idea that hardly anything happened here before this settlement started in 1874. But remember the first church was built in Dakota in 1818 at Pembina.

To give you an idea how strict and particular living conditions were in the German Russian villages in Russia, we for an example take the village Glueckstahl, the home of John Gross of this City of Freeman. Glueckstahl had a population of over 2000 people. They had one Reformed church and one Lutheran church and the churches were on very friendly terms. The young people had to attend Sunday School until they were 20 years old. If one missed Sunday School he had to pay a fine of 5c. If this fine was not paid by the time he was married the preacher was not allowed to marry him. All the people had to attend church services on Sunday. Church people were not allowed to attend markets on Sunday, but were expected to visit neighbors and friends when church services were over. In case an article was stolen and the party that stole it was discovered, the party with the stolen article had to carry it through the street, hold it up high, stop at every crossing for a while. The officers called Schultz (Mayor) and the school children marched along with this offender. At every crossing where they stopped the Schultz made a short speech telling the children how important it is to live right and be obedient to the home, school and church. At the end of this march through the street, the offender received five lashes on his back. All this left an impression on the children who saw it. A performance like that would no doubt decrease crime cases. People who make it a study say emotional reaction of children to moving pictures is from 2 to 8 times greater than that of adults. Due to this fact, those moving pictures are dangerous that deal with crime, divorce, murder, robbery and gambling, etc.

1880-1881

The winter of 1880-1881 the Old Timers called the Big Winter. Trains were not running for weeks and supply of flour and feed was exhausted. Coffee mills were used for grinding wheat. The only way to the mail was to go to Canton by team to get the mail and other supplies. Snow was deep, weather cold, tips of fingers were frozen, ears turned white by Jack Frost. The summer of 1880 was dry and the wheat was 10-12 bushels to the acre. Sod houses and shanties were covered with snow. Hay was sold for \$20 a ton, flax was 8 bushels to the acre.

1897

Guenthner and Haar received 5 carloads of machinery.

Fred Haar sold his house in town and moves on the farm.

Christ Ellwein loaded 4 cars and moves to Bowdle, and Jacob L. Hofer was called to take a picture of the Ellweins' before they moved.

Dr. A. A. Wipf raised his house and made it a two story.

Jake Flickinger and Christina Knodel were married.

John Schamber went to Pierre ready with his \$300,000.00 bonds.

Dan Weigum bought the C. Mutchelknaus blacksmith shop.

Vogt organized a singing school here and in Wittenberg.

Guenthner and Haar built a big machine shed on the north side of the Hardware Store.

Buechler and Dobler bought a creamery in Menno.

M. Wollmann is changing his warehouse to an elevator.

Buechler and Dobler are building a store.

The Christ Ellwein 480 acres were sold to Dewald and Walter for \$7000.00.

1898

Peters sold his store to A. D. Schmidt.

The Blum and Delzer building was sold to Hofer and Tschetter.

Wm. Dewald resigned as postmaster and Dr. A. A. Wipf is the new postmaster.

1896

The 16 month old girl of Mr. and Mrs. B. Boysen fell into a tub of water and drowned.

George Gross moves his store building and is erecting a new building on the corner.

John Borman has rented a building and will sell Deering supplies.

Paul Decker, the County Auditor, was here on business.

John Knodel, John Harnisch, Fred Harnisch and D. J. Mendel served as Jurors at Olivet.

1882

The county now had 2200 children of school age and the school houses were built. Dist. No. 28, 36, 38, 41, 8, 15, 44, 46, and 51.

The Olivet bridge was built at a cost of \$2024.00.

1891

We could not find much information about early town government. It seems permanent records were neglected. On Dec. 19, 1891 the citizens of Freeman met and organized. C. Buechler was the chairman of the meeting and P. H. Goertz the secretary. The minutes of the meeting were written in German and all the discussions were in German. The meeting was attended by: C. Buechler, P. H. Goertz, George Schamber, John Hoellwarth, Emanuel Hofer, C. Guenthner, C. Wacker, John Dcerr, P. Mensch, John Kleinsasser, No. 3, H. Ruede, Jacob Huber, Phillip Huber, A. Pankratz. The permanent officers selected at this meeting were: F. Haar, Chairman; C. Buechler, Sec.; Wm. Dewald, Treasurer. Freeman was incorporated in 1893. Frank Buck, the Freeman banker has disappeared. He said he would open a bank in Lester-ville and went to Yankton where he is said to have disappeared, but the Freie Presse says they should look for him in Canada because they saw him leave on the night train.

1892

Phillip Gross paid less than \$50 taxes on a section of land, 23 horses, a big herd of cattle and machinery.

1885

Christ Aisenbrey was assessor for Milltown Township and he walked from his home 5 miles southeast to the Milltown farmers to assess them. He had to leave his team at home for field work.

Had many cold winter days 30 below.

1893

John Unruh sold 635 sheep for \$2,620.00 and he has over 1000 sheep still left.

Dr. Pearson offered \$50,000.00 to Yankton College if they raise \$8,000.00. They have 113 students.

C. Buechler, M. Wollman, John Borman were elected Trustees. John Schamber, Clerk; Wm. Dewald, Treasurer; A. Kleinsasser, Assessor; Jake Huber, Marshall.

1894

In 1894 we had a total crop failure. Cows sold from \$10 to \$15 per head, sheep 90c because there was no feed. A mild winter saved the livestock that was left. The county furnished seed wheat in the spring of 1895.

1884

John Schamber was elected County Treasurer.

Market price this year was: Wool 14c, hogs \$3.70, butter 12, wheat 43.

1895

Fred Heiser is now the chairman of the County Commissioners. This year much attention is paid to the Taylor Case. He was the State Treasurer and it was discovered that he was a defaulter. On Jan. 9, 1895 he disappeared. The legislature offered a \$2,000.00 reward but the Pickerton Detective Agency would not work for a reward so the legislature appropriated \$10,000.00 for the search. Taylor went to Cuba, from there to Mexico and Central America, and Brazil. The Detective traced him but was about 60 days behind. Taylor returned of his own free will in 1895. Suit began and judgment abated \$344,277.45. It was learned

that in 1894 Taylor transferred all his property to C. H. Wells of Chicago, also all real estate belonging to Northwest Mortgage Co. of which Taylor was president. He was sentenced to two years in the state penitentiary by Coe I. Crawford. Much of the loss was covered by his property, that the State took over.

January 12, 1888

Henry Rademacher lost a child by fire.

The biggest blizzard the old settlers here met was on Jan. 12. The day was mild till about 11:00 P.M., then this memorable blizzard started with a fierce wind from the Northwest, the air was filled with fine, dry, blinding snow and the temperature dropped from 40 above to 30 below. In Dakota alone 128 people froze to death. Some were caught out on the road. Five children froze to death in East Freeman while trying to walk home from school. The children were: one was a brother J. J. Albrecht; three were brothers of Jonath Kauffman; and one was Peter O. Gräber's son Jonath. The 5 boys were scholars at the Ratzlaff school, now (1957) the Clarence Deckert School. The boys wandered away from the school. In most of the schools the scholars remained in the school room over night.

In the early days the only newspaper found in the homes here was the Yankton Freie Presse. This paper was started in 1874 by Quinke, but after a few months he sold it to Rostztencher and in 1876 the paper was sold to Gustar Vetter. When he was found dead in bed in 1886 the paper was sold to J. C. Wenzlaff and he sold it later to Soloman Wenzlaff. In 1822 Krause and Wenzlaff became the publishers. In 1898 Wenzlaff sold his share to Ellerman. They sold out to Sallet who moved the plant to Aberdeen in 1906 and in 1920 to New Ulm, Minn. In 1932 the paper was moved to Bismark, N. Dak., where the old Freie Presse is still printed and some here still receive it. Even the County Proceedings were printed in the Freie Presse.

1887

On August 20 the first marriage license was issued in this County to Dick Smith and Eva Hofer. Before this permits were filed in the Register of Deeds office and the preacher filed it.

In the early days Eisenman was elected Register of Deeds; Chris Aisenbrey, Assessor; True, States Attorney; D. Deball, School Superintendent.

In about 1905 John Pankratz sold his 160 acres at Garrison, N. Dak. to M. Wollmann for \$850.00 and he sold it to Scott Derrick, first conductor of the Freeman branch train for \$3000. Shortly after, John is now building a house in Freeman, the present Ed. Ellwein location.

In the early days when buffaloes roamed the western prairies and many wolves were howling from the woods the settlers here were glad they are not bothered. But Indians annoyed them sometimes. They came through here every year trapping along the Jim. As long as the farmers had enough bread for them they were very friendly, but when the supply was exhausted some were raven mad. Sitting Bull, a Chief, was feared by the farmers very much, but he never appeared here. When pioneers met evenings telling Indian stories, children were afraid to go to bed. The Indian was a good friend, but a bad enemy. He liked whiskey and would give all he had for a drink of whiskey.

1894

The Scotland Academy had several students from this vicinity. The school belonged to the Presbyterian denomination and consolidated with Huron College. With the rapid increase in public high schools, the need for the academy finally came to an end in 1927-1928, and it was discontinued.

1890

A flaxmill will be started in Marion. Henry Dewald is a strong booster for it.

In the early years the raising of flax received much attention and most of the fields were sown to flax. The reason for this was that flax could be planted on newly broken land. They could raise a crop the same year they turned the sod. But in a few years they discovered flax is hard on the land. The fields in flax for several years had no fertility left. Later the land in flax for several years were put in shape by planting corn. Wheat became the main crop.

George Schamber always enjoyed telling how the store business was conducted in the early days. Eggs were brought in by the farmers in pails of oats and were shipped to wholesale houses in barrels packed in straw. There were no paper bags, and sugar, coffee, and rice were wrapped up in common wrapping paper.

At first only merchants had a box in the post office.

John Schamber worked in Sioux City for 13 months to learn the English language, later held the office of County Treasurer, Representative and Senator and State Treasurer.

In the early days the young man who started farming had to have a plow, an Ox-team, a harrow with wooden teeth. The Ox-team furnished the power and for more power the tail was twisted or a heavier whip was used.

A. Gering and his brother Peter started the first creamery in Freeman.

Phillip Gross' daughter Mary, was the first child born in Freeman.

Who would have dreamed 50 or 60 years ago that the time will come that we will have machines that will make it possible to cut, thresh, haul and sell your grain in one day and in the evening come home with the money. In the early days the grain was cut, shocked, stacked and threshed in the fall.

Indians

We might also touch a little on the Indians. The pioneers up to the 1890's liked to talk about Indians, how dangerous they sometimes are, etc. Especially the farmers along the Jim River when the Indians came through in spring and in fall. In those days no game license was required and not a word was heard about open or closed season. We can still remember Sitting Bull and Little Crow were feared and discussed mostly by the pioneers. Sitt'ng Bull was killed in 1890 by two Indian police and Crow was killed by a farmer in Minnesota when he was picking berries in the farmer's field to satisfy his hunger. The Indian always wanted something for nothing. He liked whiskey and was always willing to give his whole string of traps or anything else he had for a drink. Nobody would dare to give him a drink of whiskey because they knew an Indian is greatly infuriated after a drink. People got terribly scared looked in the windows evenings. They asked for something to eat at a certain place they saw a can of wagon grease and the farmer gave it to them. The farmer to his surprise saw the Indian frying ducks in the wagon grease. We saw them with our own eyes cut a piece of meat from a beef in summer and the animal had been dead for several days. They fried the beef and ate it. No Pure Food Law

bothered them, yet they were in good health and strong. The Squaw believed her inheritance from the Great Spirit is to do the labor and the man should do the hunting and they never disagreed on this question, the result was harmony in the home. When we visited the Alberta Colonies in 1921 we drove by team from the Raley Colony to the Standoff Colony and the whole stretch was an Indian reservation. We passed an Indian grave yard and when we saw saddles, guns, pipes, and whatnot on graves, we asked the driver to stop, but his reply was he would not dare to stop. Those articles are for the Happy Hunting Grounds or as an offering to the Great Spirit and get the best protection. They have three burial methods we were told, in the ground, in the trees, and on scaffolds. Different tribes no doubt have different customs.

When the people arrived from Russia they saw many new things they did not see in Russia. One day a group of new comers walked on the street in Yankton and saw a threshing machine. These new comers were very inquisitive and one asked what that machine is for. Knowing that surveying land is the order of the day, they said that is a land surveying machine and nobody disputed the explanation.

In the early days there were no snow plows and children on the farm had a hard time getting thru the deep snow. Children were dressed in heavy clothes in those days, on their heads, knitted hoods, scarfs around the neck, heavy shoes and overshoes etc.

The winter of 1880-81 is known as the winter of snow banks and blockades. The first snow storm was on Oct. 14, 1880 and the last one on Feb. 28, 1881. There were snow banks 20 to 30 feet high. Had no trains for many weeks. This caused a big James River Flood in spring.

Wheat bought from Sept. 1, 1898 to 1899: Dewald and Walter, 157,243; Schamber Bros., 95,336; M. Wollman, 120,280; Buechler Roller Mill, 50,000; John Borman, 80,000. Other grain handled: Rye, 20,000; Corn 40,000; Oats, 10,000; barley, 5,000 bu.

A. D. Schmidt sold his store to Kaufman and Waltner in 1898.

Weigum moved down from Marion, bought the C. Mutschelknaus blacksmith.

Different Dates

1899 C. C. Vogt opened a barber shop and restaurant.

It was a shock to all when the Catholic Church blew up in Marion on Palm Sunday 1949. Several were killed instantly, also the mother of Dr. A. P. Reding.

Dr. A. A. Wipf moved the Post Office to the Drug Store in 1898.

A. Gering started a Cream Station 8 miles north in 1890.

J. H. Queal started a lumber yard in 1898.

The Bethany Mennonite Church was completely destroyed by fire Nov. 4, 1945.

Wilbur Fensel arrived from the east to work in the Gross Hatchery in the spring of 1931.

The Pioneers never looked for a \$3 hat when they had only \$1.00 in the pocket.

The breaking plow was the first implement the new settlers needed. Seeding was done by hand, a harvester for cutting the grain and the binding was done by hand and in some cases on the ground. The first binder used wire instead of twine, but later used twine.

The Pioneers dug a ditch around the garden for a fence to keep the cattle out. Holes were made in the gate, wooden nails were used, and all this was done without a County Agent.

In 1921 the following went to Germany with cows donated for the poor in Germany. R. Dewald, Joe A. Wollman, August Schmeichel, John T. Kauffman, Albert Haar, Wm. Dewald Jr., Joe S. Wipf and Hans Gottsche.

In the early 90's Freeman had a big building boom. In 1892 the Mrs. Fred Knodel house was

built by John Dubs, Henry Pfeiffer built the Aaron Koerner house (now in 1957 the Koerner house was wrecked), Fred Haar built the Thompson Yard house, P. H. Goertz moved the C. Baer house down from Marion (now in 1957 we have a beautiful hotel on the place the house had been wrecked). Pete Schamber built the Julius E. Graber house, Jacob Wipf built the H. C. Gering house, C. H. Vogler built the Dan Merk house, Peter Schempp built the A. Gering house.

In the early days \$10 and \$15 a month was big money. We often heard Math Hafner tell us he received \$17 a month during harvest month, and he was proud of it because it was more than other harvest workers received.

In 1899 a horseless carriage was brought to Yankton State Fair. There were 20 of these cars in the United States at that time. This car was brought here from Chicago to be exhibited. The average speed of those cars in the 90's was 8 miles an hour.

In 1770 a place to find gold was a big attraction and gold seekers looked for Dakota gold and rushed to these places like thirsty cattle into a pond on a hot day.

Remarks about Churches

A few remarks about the town will tell you that the first church in South Dakota was built at Pembina. The first church built in Freeman was the St. Paul's Lutheran Church erected in 1882. The second church erected in Freeman was the Bethlehem Reformed Church erected in 1892. The third church was the Bethany Mennonite Church erected in 1898.

CHANGES SINCE 1875

This settlement is 80 years old and nearly everything has changed except the beautiful sunshine. We have today the same beautiful sunshine the pioneers had 80 years ago and the same climate. These two things man cannot change. They remain the way the Creator made them. The best way to realize the many changes is by enumerating them, and we shall try to mention at least some.

The ironing was done by heating the flat iron on the stove, now the electric power is used.

Buffalo chips were gathered for fuel.

Nobody talked about garages or airports, filling stations, etc.

Eggs were brought in from the farm in a pail filled with oats.

Young men went to a city to learn the English language. Jacob Hieb of Marion, and John Schamber went to Sioux City to learn the English language.

There was no wrist watch or alarm clock. The farmer unloaded his corn with a small shovel, had no elevator.

There were no farm organizations. Today a farmer spends much time at his writing desk to fill out all kinds of papers.

Lime stones were gathered on the farm river hills and converted into lime after being placed on the fire in an oven for some 10 days and nights, and used for building.

Women and girls were doing considerable field work. The spinning wheel was also kept busy, so the girls have warm stockings when winter comes.

Twisted hay was used for the stove.

Compare the plowing with an oxteam and a walking plow in the early days to the plowing with a tractor. The man sitting under an umbrella steering the tractor and sometimes even listening to his radio while plowing.

Vacations and 8 hour days were unknown in the early days, and how could they go out and travel by oxteam? Today it's an annual affair with most of the people.

In the early days when milking was done, the milk had to be placed where it was cool, then skimmed, churned and taken to market. Today we have the milking machine, the electric button is pressed to start the separator, and the creamery man calls daily to take the cream.

In the early days farmers raised broom corn and made their own brooms. Many of the early settlers had no wooden floor for years. The mud floor was strewn with sand to keep it smooth and easier for sweeping. Today their children use the electric carpet sweeper.

They used twisted hay and straw when they had no wood to fill up the stove. Today they turn on the electric switch or the bottle gas stove.

Yeast was made at home. Today if the store has no yeast the only substitute is bread from the bakery.

The girls never dreamed of an artificial complexion in pioneer days and there were just as many pretty girls then as now, and maybe more. Girls used to have braids. Now they have bobbed hair and permanents.

Farmers started to work at 5 in the morning and worked till dark. Lunch was brought out between meals. Now they don't quit even at dark some days but run the tractor all night to make up time to go on vacation.

12 teams and a large force of men were needed to operate a threshing machine. Now the combine cuts, shocks, threshes and one man operates the machine.

Tallow dipped candles were used for light. Now you press the button and you have light.

Water was pulled from the well in buckets. Now you turn on the faucet and you have the water.

Men in business had to add long columns of figures. Now the adding machines do it.

Compare the washday with the washboard to the present—electric washer is turned on.

The simple life was preached by Teddy Roosevelt and to find pleasure in work, but it was actually practiced by the pioneers long before him.

When the supply of molasses was low mother took a jug to the store and it was filled up from a big barrel. Some had their homemade molasses. Sugar cane was planted and hauled to the syrup press where the syrup was prepared. One press was located in Wittenberg and one at the Wolf Creek Colony. These two served the vicinity.

Meat was salted and smoked to prepare it for keeping. Now they take it to the locker and put it in the deep freeze.

Sidewalks were made from planks and the cracks were big enough for a high heeled shoe to get stuck in the crack, but at that time shoes had big heels and nobody was bothered. If by accident a man dropped a piece of silver money and it rolled into the crack the plank was raised and the money was not lost. Weeds grew up through the cracks on Main Street. How much different now.

Stores trusted everybody, never took an inventory, placed orders almost a year ahead and made money. With the changing styles today you cannot do it that way. Now orders are phoned in in the morning to be sure to get the article in the afternoon.

Swan Lake was a very important place for people here. They had a branch land office. Rev. Paul F. Gross served on the star route between Freeman and Swan Lake.

Women folks had to sew, knit and run the spinning wheel besides cooking. Today with a sewing machine and all conveniences now they get more time to attend society clubs.

The first few years no interest was taken in politics. Now you can meet a little pin-headed politician almost on every street corner before election.

Money was very scarce in the early days and the rate of interest high. The highest interest on record that was charged was 60 percent.

As an optimist and a hustler, never forget the early merchant. He had long hours from early till late in the night every day.

With poor transportation some articles got very scarce at times. In 1876 kerosene sold in Deadwood at \$10.00 a gallon. They had a pony express from St. Joseph, Mo. to San Francisco.

In the early days farmers raised many wagon loads of watermelons. Every spring much sod was turned and the seed was planted in the sod, and no more cultivation was needed. Today it's not so easy to raise watermelons. Even county agents cannot stop weeds from growing.

The menu was simple in the early days. Sauerkraut, borst, homemade bacon, homemade cookies, etc., and nobody was operated on, or had high blood pressure so people must have lived right. They ate to live and now they live to eat. A prominent hospital physician told us not long ago that he is wondering that there is not more sickness as little attention as people pay to their diet. Anything that tickles the palate is swallowed regardless of consequences.

In the early days every man in town had a cow for the milk supply, and the boy had to feed and water the cow after school and mornings, and also keep the barn clean. It was also his job to see that the wood box is filled. Once in a while you heard Mama say, "This is the last time I tell you Sonny, to have that wood box filled." This training of the boy to work was worth much more than the milk. And he knew where the milk comes from. Not long ago a disease among cows was reported in a large city and people began to worry. A city boy said, "We don't need to worry, we get our milk from the bottle." But our boys know the milk in the bottle comes from the cow. In the early days in many cases the boy went on the farm when school closed and learned to work on the farm during the summer. No doubt he got just as much good out of that training as any boy scout today.

The stockyards were always a busy place. Kids are always anxious to see something and all of us will remember how a gang of kids were sitting on the high wooden fence and watch the buyers

and farmers loading stock into cars for shipment to the market. Today the stockyard is a lonely place, no kids around. Trucking livestock direct from the farm has done away with the busy stockyards and so many changes have taken place.

Very few people, whether young or old, have not seen the Black Hills these days. In the early days the general impression was that only bad men go out to the Black Hills. We are quite certain that Jacob Tschetter, of Bridgewater, was the first man from around here to see the Black Hills. He did not go out there on a vacation. In the 1894 fall campaign when Cleveland was elected president he appointed Peemiller of Yankton for U. S. Marshal and Peemiller could appoint for Deputy Marshall for this state. Jacob Tschetter was one of the four. He made frequent trips to the Hills and we often heard him describe moral conditions out there. Who has not heard of Calamity Jane, Poker Alice, Deadwood Dick, Wild Bill and many others. Wild women from the east and the south made the hills their home and gave vent to the wildest excesses. A horse thief was in danger of a rope and tree out there.

All know about the depression years we had during the 1930's and also the prosperous times we had before that, up to 1930, but for the sake of the younger generations we will touch on it a little. During the prosperous years before 1930 there was plenty of money everywhere. Wheat sold as

high as \$3.00 a bushel. Hogs, 20c a lb. Other farm products were in proportion, and everyone enjoyed a good time and prepared for a still better time. How true the saying that it takes a wise man to stand prosperity. Any man can stand adversity because he has to. Land raised in price and many investments were made on the installment plan, but when obligations could not be met it meant foreclosures. During the prosperous years the trouble was overproduction and the New Deal tried to cure this trouble by killing pigs and cattle and plowing under cotton, grain or paying for acres not seeded, etc. The drought started after 1932 and lasted for several years. The farmer made feed loans and seed loans to save their livestock. Seed wheat was bought in 1932 at over a dollar a bushel, and a fair crop was raised but the crop had to be sold for 25c a bushel. Cows sold from \$12 to \$15 apiece. Land dropped from \$150 an acre to \$12 and \$15 an acre because taxes and interest could not be paid. Relief had to come from somewhere. Some received relief from the government directly and some worked on relief by working on the highway or making dams, etc. To get something for nothing is quite a temptation for some and in some cases relief was dished out directly to some that never needed it. Times are again prosperous which is very dangerous for the extremely optimistic class. Those who prepare for hard times will be the last ones to have financial trouble. Of course we do not mean that you should be an extreme pessimist.



REPLACING BOARD SIDEWALKS WITH CEMENT WALKS

Pictorial

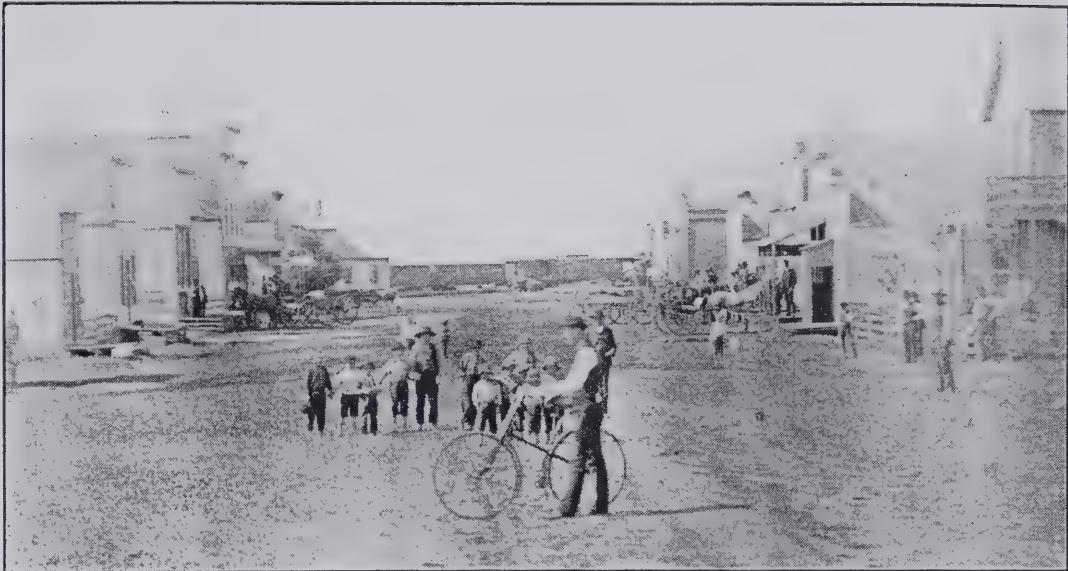
EARLY DAYS IN FREEMAN



This picture is no different from a typical small western town, but to us it is Freeman before the days of oiled streets, concrete sidewalks, and electric lights. Note the grass growing in Main Street. Then the people did not talk about dust storms and depressions.

The first building on the East side was the George Gross store. Later, John J. Kleinsasser had a general store and furniture store on that corner. Now Alvin Huber runs a filling station. The next building North is the site where **Guenthner & Haar** first ventured into business in 1882. Later, Fred Haar bought out Guenthner and continued in business. In 1913 Mr. Haar moved to his present location where they have continuously been engaged in the farm implement business to this day. The former corner was then sold to Wipf Bros. who still occupy it as a hardware store.

On the West side of Main Street, the building furthest North is the depot which is still there. The next building South was the residence of John Dubs who at one time was a business man of Freeman, but has spent most of his life on the farm southwest of Freeman. The building with the porch on the second story is where the **Schamber Bros.** General Mercantile Business received its start in 1882. The first floor was used for the store, the second floor constituted the living quarters for the George Schamber family. That building was later moved to the site now occupied by Wm. Morfeld as a butchershop. In 1900 Schamber Bros. built the present fine brick building. The next building was erected by John Gross and used as a hotel and saloon. This building, later torn down, was one of the oldest landmarks in Freeman. The next building was the Mike Wollmann store.



This is a picture of Main Street of the City of Freeman as it was about fifty years ago. The center of attraction in this picture is the bicycle, the first one to make its appearance in Freeman. The owner is John Gering who later went back to Russia. The youngsters in the picture insisted on being photographed with the bicycle. Among them were the Nuss boys, the Gering boys, the Buechlers, the Guenthners and Haars. We understand that this bicycle was later raffled off and Christ Baer won it. A bicycle was a distinct luxury fifty years ago.



MAIN STREET OF FREEMAN OF 1957

The above cut shows Freeman's Main Street, after the cement pavement and vapor street lights were put in in the year 1953. This was a big improvement, and the businessmen of Freeman feel justly proud about their Main Street. All the streets of Freeman are now oil and dust proofed. In 1958, Freeman changed its water system from the out-dated and out-moded underground pressure system to the modern elevated tower, and erected a 75,000 gallon water tank. This will assure sufficient water and pressure at all times and to all parts of the city. With so many new modern homes and fine lawns this improvement became a necessity. We now have two wells and two filtering plants.

Freeman Celebrated its Diamond Jubilee on August, 1954



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FREEMAN BAND IN THE EARLY DAYS

Reading left to right: Back row: Gottlie Haar, Robert Haar, Rudolph Gering, Dave Ellwein, Robert Schamber and Ed Gering. Middle Row: Reinhold Baer, Wm. Jans, Henry Buechler, Chester Liepelt, and August Buechler. Bottom Row: Fred Zeller and John Feiok.

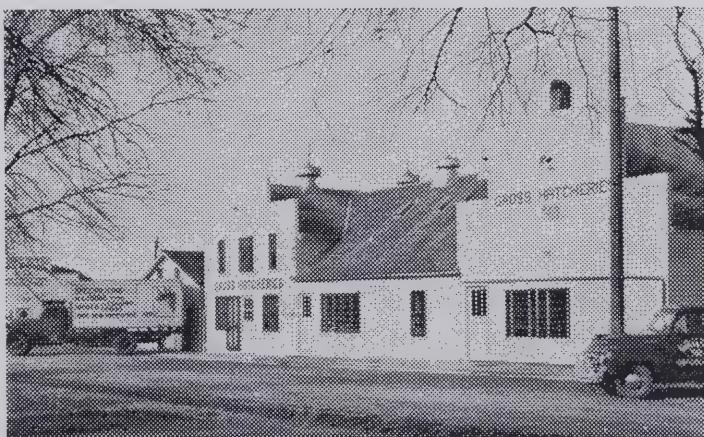


BIRDS-EYE VIEW OF FREEMAN MANY YEARS AGO



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FREEMAN BASEBALL TEAM IN THE EARLY DAYS

Reading left to right: Back row: Gottlieb Haar, Robert Haar, Rudolph Gering, Dyer, Ferd Guenthner and Robert Haar. Center Row: Jake Huber, Ed Gering, Ben Hoellwarth, and John Kleinsasser. Bottom Row: Guy Durr (Pitcher), Emil Graber, and Jake Gering (Catcher).



GROSS HATCHERY AT THE PRESENT TIME
Jake T. Gross, Owner



Old photographs are always interesting, and photographs of early pioneers will certainly be no less interesting to the people of Freeman. The accompanying picture shows an early dray line, not the earliest one for that one was propelled by oxen, not horses. The building is the barn back of Schamber's Store, which until very recently was still there. The owner of the dray line was William Huber who later moved to Clayton Township and farmed there until the time of his death. In the driver's seat is Theobald Stroh. Standing on the wagon from right to left, are Ferd Janke and Jake Blum. Standing alongside the wagon are William Huber, the owner, "**Apple Jake**" with the saw, and George Schamber. We are not able to say who the man is holding the white horse. The man standing in front of the horses is John Bohrer.

EVENTS THROUGH THE YEARS

1898 HAPPENINGS

Jacob Haar and wife move to Bowdle.
Joe C. V. Graber started a livery barn.
Kaufman and Waltner took possession of A. D. Schmidt Store.
A daughter of Jacob Huber in Heilbronn was killed by a horse.
G. Haar is attending school in Milwaukee.
Jake Hafner, Jake Huber, Fred Mettler were in N. Dak. and bought land and will move there.
The new creamery building is now completed. Now we have two.
The town male quartette consists of C. C. Vogt, H. C. Buechler, Gust Buechler and Joe C. Graber.
Wm. Dewald says he feels like a new man since he is out of the Post Office.
John Feiok is building a new dwelling house.
Alex Wipf enlisted and leaves for the Philippines.
J. W. Wipf Co. erect a two story drug store building.
Christ Eisenbeis was hurt in the mill and will not be able to work for many weeks.

1899-1900

Maria, daughter of Jos. J. Gross died in 1891.
Maria, daughter of Jos. J. Gross died in 1895.
H. G. Mosby and Miss Akland were married in 1899.
E. Kaufman and Miss Helen Blum were married in 1899.
Henry Nuss and Miss Ellwein were married 1899.
Mrs. Liepelt died 1899.
Mrs. John Weber died 1899.
Peter Zeeb and Miss Bender were married.
John Schamber to Pierre State Treasurer had \$300,000 bonds, 50,000 more than needed in 1899.
Weigum moved down from Marion, he bought the C. Mutschelknaus blacksmith shop.

1901

Freeman, Heilbronn, Clayton, Kassel, Molan

Gco. Knittel and Miss Leithold were married at Bowdle.
Wm. Schmidtgall died.
Rudolph Liepelt and Miss Katie Nuss were married.
R. Baer and Miss Barbara Haar were married.
H. C. Buechler and Miss Lydia Radak were married.
Peter Schamber died age 72 years.
John Weier and Miss Christina Goettertz were married.
The G. J. Dabler family left for their new home at Kulm, N. D.
Jake Haar and Miss Lydia Ulmer were married.
P. C. Jensen bought the 160 acre farm just north of town from C. Buechler for \$6,000.00.
The mother of Jacob Stolp died in Alexandria.
Dr. Wipf will move post office.
Peter A. Kaufman's son Dan died in 1900.

1902

Freeman, Clayton, Heilbronn, Kassel, Molan

The Henry Nuss family moved to Selby, S. D.
Jacob Bauer in Freeman and Mrs. Geiser of Marion were married.
Mrs. O. Akland went to Norway where she died.
Frank Smikel and Miss Alice Medinus were married.
Gunder Akland visited in Norway.

N. A. Jansen moves out west.

G. F. Zeller and Miss Ida Kaufman were married.
Peter Zeeb visited his father in Russia.
The father of Fred Mutschelknaus died in Scotland.

1903

Freeman, Heilbronn, Clayton, Kassel, Molan
C. C. Vogt died.
Adam Preszler moved to Eureka, S. D.
The Rev. Brauer family left for Germany.
Andrew Anderson and Miss Susie Anderson were married.
John J. Koerner and Katie Aman were married.
August Bauer and Rosina Auch were married.
Jacob Buckman moved to N. D.
Fred Buchman and Elizabeth Schmidtgall were married.
Jacob Bertsch moved to North Dakota.
Theo. Donner and Emma Neu were married.
John P. Walz and Magdalena Pfeiffer were married on December 29th.
B. F. Pfeiffer and Christina Bauer were married Dec. 29th.

1904

Freeman, Heilbronn, Kassel, Clayton, Molan
C. Buechler died age 61 years.
Wm. Massey and Miss Mary Goettertz were married.
Philipp Gross died in North Dakota.
Andrew Ellwein and Miss Anna Walker were married.
C. H. Vogler died in Emery.
P. C. Jensen sold his farm to P. P. Kleinsasser for \$6,500.00.
Chris Goehring and Fred Weidenbach bought the Hofer implement in Bridgewater.
Jake Harnisch and Hettie Wagner were married.
P. P. Huber and Sophie Roth were married.
Henry Schoppert and Sophie Mutschelknaus were married.
A. J. Koerner and Katie Maas were married.
Jake Koerner and Mary Mettler were married.
John Schmidtgall and Miss Ulmer were married.
Fred Pfeiffer and Christina Bauer were married.
John J. Reich and Katie Shempf were married.
Wm. Rempsma and Lizzie Schempp were married.
Christ Bauer and Lena Miellaud were married.
Mrs. Mathias Ellwein died age 67 years.
Andrew Koerner died.
Alex Ellwein moved to Freeman.
Math Ellwein died age 78 years.
Mathilda, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jos J. Gross died age 2 years, she died at Christmas time.
Katie Walter 3 1/2 years and Johnnie Walter 2 1/2 years children of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Walter died the same week near Christmas holidays.

1905

Freeman, Clayton, Heilbronn, Kassel, Molan
Harry Hansen moved to N. Dak.
Mrs. Frank Schweitzer died.
Carl Schmeichel arrived from Germany.
George Huber died age 76 years.
Mrs. Jake A Walz died age 23 years.
Julius Bauer and Jake Mettler moved to N. Dak.
Jacob A. Walz and Rosa Weiss were married.
August Schnabel and Alvina Mettler were married.
Mrs. John Ellwein died age 53 years.
Mrs. Martin Hafner died.
John Ellwein moved to Freeman.

1906

Freeman, Clayton, Heilbronn, Kassel, Molan

Carl F. Andersen died.

Thorwald Hansen and Miss Alice Hansen were married.

Otto Schamber and Rosie Guenthner were married.

John Pankratz and Louisa Oswald were married.

Mr. and Mrs. John Schamber were surprised on their 25th wedding anniversary.

P. R. Stading died age 53 years.

Dan Weigum's son Fred was accidentally shot by his partner when hunting.

Frank Langle died.

Christ Delzer died age 68 years.

Martin Hafner died age 56 years.

The Clayton Lutheran Church erected a parsonage.

Jacob Goehring moved to Bridgewater.

Adolph Neuharth and Gottliebina Heckenlaible were married.

C. Triebwasser and Amalia Juecht were married.

1907

Freeman, Heilbronn, Clayton, Kassel, Molan

Adean Johnson and Miss Anna Hansen were married.

The Dan Mehner family moved to Dallas.

Gust Bauman and Alma Baer were married.

Ben Hoellwarth and Miss Bauman were married.

John J. Heiok and Miss Anna Aisenbrey were married.

Mrs. Martin Rapp died.

George Gross died age 52 years.

Ferd Guenthner and Martha Handel were married.

Ernst Wilde was found dead in a Sioux City hotel, killed by gas.

A. C. Wollmann (Canader) died age 27 years.

The John Schafer family moved to North Dakota.

Philipp Walz and Laura Mauck were married.

Ernest Juecht and Martha Herzog were married.

A. A. Bertsch and Bertha Stoller were married.

Helmuth Voss and Hella Harnisch were married.

Christ Holzwarth and Maggie Bertsch were married.

Conrad Guericke visited in Germany.

The Dan Walz deaf and dumb son was found dead.

1908

Freeman, Clayton, Heilbronn, Kassel, Molan

Hans Hansen died

L. Soholt sold the Molan Store.

Prof. Thierstein sold his house to A. A. Wollmann.

Mrs. Jacob Bauer died age 66 years.

Henry Englehardt and Martha Wenzlaff were married.

A. Pankratz and Otilia Juhnke were married.

Wm. Bendush and Johanna Huether were married.

Dave Heckenlaible died in a Sioux City hospital.

Martin Schamber died at Scotland.

Steve Jaton died age 76 years.

John Walz Jr. moved to Freeman.

Gottlieb Schmidtgall died.

Grandma Mrs. Jacob Kost died age 80 years.

Ferd Goldner fell from a wagon and died.

Henry Mayer went to Russia on a visit.

Julius Stroschein died age 34 years.

1909

Freeman, Heilbronn, Clayton, Kassel Molan

Christ Hansen died age 56 years.

John Peterson and Miss Anna Jorstad were married.

Martin Zeigeldorf left for Poland.

Mrs. Jacob Haar died age 70 years.

Henry Mayer died age 79 years.

Mrs. Philipp Huber age 47 years.

Andrew Holzwarth moved to Potter County.

Mrs. Peter Wahl died at Menno.

Jake Haar and Martha Mehlhaf were married.

Gottlieb Ellwein of Hosmer and Sophie Hafner were married.

John Juecht and Elsie Vogt were married.

Jonas H. Huber and Amalia Mettler were married.

Jake Geigle and Dorothy Hein were married.

1910

Freeman, Heilbronn, Clayton, Kassel, Molan

Konrad Enders and Miss Anna Wipf were married.

Rev. J. A. Schamber and Miss Lydia Haar were married.

R. Walz and Miss Katie Guenthner were married.

N. A. Jensen sold out to Dan H. Unruh and moves west.

The following were Confirmed at the St Paul Lutheran Church: Otto Herman, Chas. Juhnke, Henry Steinhardt, Walter Knittel, Theo. Ahrndt, W. Schamber, Clara Grossman, Magdalena Sperling, Minnie Corth.

The R. Lipelt family moved to Selby, S. Dak.

Adolph Walz and Carrie Pisbie were married.

Henry Jasman and Paulina Wacker were married.

The C. Medinus family moved to St. Paul.

Gottlieb Leithold and Dora Walz were married.

Peter Wahl of Menno and Mrs. Vielhauer of N. Dak. were married.

Alfred Decombar and Katie Koerner were married.

Henry Mehlhaf and Miss Schempp were married.

Dan Schmeichel and Martha Bender were married.

Albert Hafner and Johanna Beck were married.

Henry Dannenbring and Adella Jaton were married.

Henry Mettler and Paulina Bertsch were married.

Louis Wagner died in Menno.

Jake Ellwein moved to Freeman.

The Chas. Kapsch family moved to North Dakota.

John Knodel's son John died age 18 years.

Theo. H. Grossman died April 11, he taught in the Freeman Parochial School from 1891 until 1910

Rev. R. Schamber and Miss Carrie Haar were married.

1911

Freeman, Clayton, Heilbronn, Kassel, Molan

John Heirigs and Miss Schweitzer were married.

Mrs. Dr. A. A. Wipf died age 32 years.

Mrs. Otto Schamber died age 25 years.

Henry Dewald died age 55 years.

Ike Kleinsasser and Miss Emma Schmuck were married.

Ed. J. Ellwein and Bertha Grossman were married.

Jake M. Huber and Miss Anna Bisbing were married.

Dr. C. H. Trotter and Clara Zickrick were married.

Rev. Bouman leaves for Hamburg, Minn.

Jake Eisenbeis and Mary Koerner were married.

Fred Aman and Maggie Wahl were married.

C. Herman and Katie Knittel were married.

Walter Keiper and Elvina Dannenbring were married.

Andrew Mettler and Maggie Style were married.

Herman Harnisch and Augusta Juhnke were married.

Alex Aberla and Magdalena Huber were married.

Jake A. Walz and Mrs. Dorothy Schmidt were married in June.

John Ulmer was killed in an Auto accident.

John J. Reich died.

Miss Carrie Aman died.

John Bauer moved to N. Dak.

Galster died age 38 years.

Julius Wenzlaff accidentally shot himself.

Math Huber's brother died age 42 years.
Wm. Eisenbeis died in N. Dak.
Mrs. Henry Goehring died age 67 years.
Mrs. Fred Koerner died at Emery.
The mother of Fred Mutschelknaus died at Scotland age 81 years.
Mike Stern died age 54 years.
F. F. Buchman's mother died age 73 years.
Mike Died in Menno.

1912

Freeman, Clayton, Heilbronn, Kassel, Molan

H. A. Hanson moved out west.
Mr. and Mrs. Chris Jensen died from gas.
Will Schweitzer and Lizzie Goettertz were married.
Andrew Andersen and Ega Hansen were married.
G. Dobler died at Kulm, N. Dak.
N. P. Christensen died at Kulm, N. Dak.
N. P. Christensen died age 58 years.
Gideon Dewald and Paulina Dewald were married.
Herman Kitzman and Henrietta Decombaz were married.
C. J. Koerner and Miss Sophie Ulmer were married.
Bert Galster and Dora Walz were married.
Ferd Schoppert and Mary Mettler were married.
Bernhard Stern and Adina Schelsky were married.
Geo. Vetter and Bertha Wildermuth were married.
John Maas and Katie Schempp were married.
Julius Fiedler died of cancer.
John Ellwein died age 63 years.
Jacob Dubs is here from Russia.
John Walz died age 75 years.
Mr. and Mrs. John P. Walz's son Alfred William died April 28, 1912, he was born September 4, 1904.
August Huber age 21 and Wm. Steinfadt age 20 drowned at Wolf Creek Colony.

1913

Freeman, Heilbronn, Clayton, Kassel, Molan

John Berg and Myrtle Dickman were married.
Henry and Ida Johnson moved to Canada to live.
Mrs. John Koerner Sr. died age 63 years.
Mrs. Jacob Hieb of Marion died age 51 years.
Jake T. Gross and Miss Bertha Groves were married July 20.
Theo. F. Haar and Adella Schamber were married.
Hildeberth Galster died age 12 years.
George Kaufman and Miss Amie Meyers were married.
J. J. Tschetter and Miss Barbara Miller were married.
John Dubs and Amilia Weiss were married.
Fred Heer and Mary Knodel were married.
Andrew Bauer of N. Dak. and Adelgunda Reede were married.
Ed. Schoppert and Louisa Mutschelknaus were married.
Chas. Wagner and Bertha Maas were married.
Ed. Bauer of N. Dak. and Bertha Walz were married.
Jake Kromberg and Susie Weiss were married.
Geo. Knittel died after an operation age 27 years.
Geo. Aman's brother Jacob died after an operation at Hosmer age 87.
Widow Anna Huber died age 77 years.
Gust Hager died in Wittenberg.
Harry Hanson and Olida Johnson were married.

1914

Freeman, Heilbronn, Kassel, Clayton, Molan

Gust Lesky and Olga Gering were married.
E. Schamber and Miss Elsie Juhnke were married.

The Rev. Doege family left for Ft. Wayne, Indiana.
Sam Christensen and Alma Dickman were married.
Jake Hafner and Christina Huber were married.
Fred J. Koerner and Katie Koerner were married.
Fred H. Huber and Anna Dubs were married January 22.
Jake Weiss and May Huber were married.
Fred A. Mettler and Emma Mutschelknaus were married.
Emil Mutschelknaus and Louise Mayer were married.
Theo. Wagner and Emma Roduner were married.
Jake Hanselman and Louisa Stern were married.
Emanuel Bertsche and Hettie Stoller were married.
Jake Aman and Miss Mettler were married.
Em. Auch and Selma Schoppert were married.
Bernhard Herman died age 45 years.
Fred Mettler near Menno died age 72 years.
Henry Pfeiffer moved to Freeman.
Jake Stern died age 55 years.
Teacher Jacob Wenzlaff died age 52 years.
Christ Walz died age 71 years.
Lorenz Liebl died age 55 years.
Henry Juhnke died age 79 years.
Dan Walz moved to N. Dak.
A. A. Waldner and Beulah Drury were married.
Geo. Hafner and Agnes Breemer were married.
The Fred Steinfadt family moved to Montana.
R. Baer and John Baer moved to Idaho.
The following were confirmed at the St. Paul Lutheran Church: Arthur Doege, Arnold Dewald, Erwin Schamber, Bruno Baer, Ben Janke, Christ Walz, Jake Heible, Edna Stading, Hilda Schmidtgall, Katie Liepelt and Lydia Kunkel.
Freeman College enrollment is 70.
The St. Paul Lutheran School has 66 enrollment.
John W. Tschetter moves to Montana.
Chas. A. Gering and Kathryn Kleinsasser were married.
Leon Gering and Anna Mehrer were married.
Otto Schamber and Laura Lindekugel were married.

1915

Freeman, Heilbronn, Clayton, Kassel, Molan

Frank Bartz died age 67 years.
Oscar Wek and Olivia Jorstad were married.
Mrs. Lars Vogland died age 77 years.
F. J. Rittershaus and Miss Amelia Gross were married.
Fred Knodel and Mrs. Katie Wipf were married.
Walter Hoellwarth and Ida Keck were married.
Rev. J. A. Walz accepted a call to Lane.
The following were Confirmed at the St. Paul Lutheran Church: Elsie Hoellwarth, Rosie Ellwein, Leontine Mutschelknaus, Katie Mensche, Bertha Huber, Paulina Walz, Erick Baer, Gottlieb Hafner, Adam Stroschein, Philipp Eisenbeis, Arthur Huber.
Fred Herting moved to Montana.
R. Koser and Katie Kleinsasser were married.
Dan Mettler and Martha Holzwarth were married.
Emil Walz and Paulina Ellwein were married.
John Eckert and Mary Koerner were married.
Constantine Mayer and Anna Kapsch were married.
Reinhold Roth and Emma Juhnke were married.
Philipp Schoppert and Bertha Kost were married.
August Aman and Emma Gemar were married.
John Koerner Sr. and Mrs. Wm. Ulmer were married.
John Auch and Lydia Schoppert were married.
Laura Schulz and Gottlieb Wagner were married.
Christina Koerner and Adolph Wahl were married.
A. A. Mettler and Millie Kuhlman were married.
John Schenkel and Amalia Stern were married.

Christ Schempp and Lydia Koerner were married.
Rev. Hodde accepted a call from the Heilbronn Church.
Mrs. Peter Schoppert died age 61 years.
Grandma Zanter died age 84 years.
Wm. Pfeiffer moved to Freeman.

1916

Freeman, Heilbronn, Clayton, Kassel, Molan
Oliver Hanson died in a Sioux City hospital.
Carl Lund died at Molan.
The Molan Store has closed.
The Prof. A. J. Regier family arrived, he will teach in College.
Wm. Stolp and Minnit Stoppenhagen were married.
Sam Lieble and Lizzie Dannenbring were married.
Will Drewitz and Mrs. Werner of Wessington Springs were married.
Joe Wasner and Minnie Rademacher were married.
The Geo. Knittel house was destroyed by fire.
John A. Walz and Paulina Huber were married.
Will Jaton and Anna Drewitz were married.
Art Steckel and Nettie Huber were married.
Gust Buechler was married in Fargo, N. Dak to Sophie Egge and they live in Omaha.

1917

Freeman, Heilbronn, Kassel, Clayton, Molan
Martin Gunderson and Jens Johnson leave for Norway.
Wm. Hall and Bertha Huber were married.
Anna Medinus was killed in an auto accident in Portland, Oregon.
John Schnabel and Minnie Moench were married.
Gust Tedegesky and Linda Miller were married.
Dr. John S. Waldner and Luella Schaefer were married.
Andrew Pankratz died in Garrison, N. Dak.
R. Stolp and Katie Jundt were married.
Aug. Langle died age 30 years.
Alex Aberle moved to N. Dak.
Jake Schnabel moved to Isabel, S. Dak.
Carl Buehner has been appointed Clayton mail carrier.
Mrs. Carl H. Holzwarth died in the Aberdeen hospital.
The Gottlieb Delzer family moved down from N. Dak.
Grandma Mayer died age 81 years.
Frank Milland died.
Reinhold Knodel and Martha Heckenlaible were married.
Carl Buehner and Rebecca Hogrefe were married.
Emil Roduner and Lydia Kapsch were married.
Wm. Langle and Carrie Harnisch were married.
Paul Gromko and Clara Knittel were married.
Andrew Aman and Paulina Mettler were married.
Johnny Hofer and Lydia Mutschelknaus were married.
Edward Klasi and Christina Edelman were married Dec. 27, 1917.

1918

Freeman, Heilbronn, Clayton, Kassel, Molan
Mrs. John Gross died age 49 years. nee Lydia Jans, they were married 1888.
Carl Stark and Paulina Heible were married.
Math J. Huber died.
Gideon Dewald died age 30 years.
R. and John Baer moved back to Freeman from Idaho.
Those attending the World's fair in San Francisco, Calif. are: R. Dewald, Miss Lena Kaufman, J. J. N. Waltner, J. J. Graber, John C. and Peter P. Miller, Rev. and Mrs. Joseph Kaufman, Mr. and Mrs. Benj. Waltner, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Mendel.

Henry Zickrick died in the Yankton hospital.
John M. Wollmann and Lela Morrison were married.
A. J. Aisenbrey and Lydia Feiok were married.
Robert Haar and Flow Trowbridge were married.
John J. Ellwein and Helen Schafenberg were married.
George Mayer and Tillie Schorzman were married.
A. F. Huber and Lillie Schulz were married.
Geo. Leible and Anna Decomaz were married.
Mrs. Konrad Ellwein died age 32 years.
Henry Rademacher moved to Montana.
George Aman moved to Freeman.
Grandma Paulina Kietzman died age 83 years.
Mrs. Englehard, a daughter of teacher Wenzlaff died in North Dakota.
Pvt. Paul Groves who is in service has been reported severely wounded in action in Oct. in the Argonne Forest, his leg had been injured seriously.

1919

Freeman, Heilbronn, Clayton, Kassel, Molan

Harry Christensen died age 32 years.
Mrs. C. Goettertz died age 67 years.
Jarle Foss and Martin Gunderson leave for Norway.
The following new houses were erected this year: Dave Pankratz, Peter S. Graber, P. R. Stading, Aug. Ortman, J. J. Tschetter, Joe L. Wipf, Wm. Ibis, Ed Ellwein, P. Moench, Walter Hoellwarth, Wm. Warne, Herman Janke, Henry Schmuck, J. P. Ellwein.
Jake Heible and Mrs. Schnabel were married.
Robert Wipf and Ella Borman were married.
Ben J. Graber and Minnie Dilde were married.
Emil J. Graber and Martha Gran were married.
Joe M. Kleinsasser and Hulda Edelman were married.
Fred Wallender died in N. Dakota.
Robert Camell and Millie Huber were married.
John Hoellwarth Sr. died age 70 years.
Ernest Schmuck and Lydia Frank were married.
The St. Paul Lutheran Church bought a \$1,800 pipe organ.
Herman Lipke and Mrs. Fred Walz were married.
Paul Groves and Mary Stucky were married.
Henry Klasi Jr. died.
L. Wilde and Friedericka Galster were married.
John Gross and Mrs. Math Huber were married.
Ed A. Gering and Anna Wedel were married.
Dan Merk and Frances Schrag were married.
M. Wollmann moved back to Freeman from Montana.
Carl Marquardt and Anna Stern were married.
Sam Heckenlaible and Herma Schmidtgall were married.
Ed Aman and Emma Woehl were married.
John J. Schempp and Mrs. Lydia Schaefer were married.
L. Meilland and Esther Fiedler were married.
Robert Hein and Bertha Heckenlaible were married.
Reinhold Roduner and Clara Kapsch were married.
C. C. Heckenlaible and Helen Walz were married.
Albert Heckenlaible and Hella Haar were married.
Arnold Jatson and Vera Shily were married.
Konrad Ellwein moved to Freeman.
Fred Style died age 65 years.
August Kapsch moved to Mitchell.
Fred Mutschelknaus moved to Freeman.
The John P. Walz family moved over from Armour.
Mrs. P. P. Huber died in a Mitchell hospital.
Wm. Liukens moved to Highmore, S. Dak.
Richard Mutschelknaus and Klara Voy were married.

1920

Freeman, Heilbronn, Clayton, Kassel, Molan

Henry Broadland and Luella Dickman were married.
 Jarlc Foss and Ingo Jorstad were married.
 Mrs. Adney Downer died in Rosco, S. Dak.
 Fred Mutschelknaus and Mrs. Lena Neth were married.
 Mrs. Jake A. Kleinsasser died.
 Dr. Henry A. Schmidt and Minnie Larsen were married.
 John Wedel and Kathryn Moench were married.
 Harry L. Sacket and Hildegard Schamber were married in Washington, D. C.
 A. D. Schmidt and Mrs. Anna Mosiman were married.
 H. C. Neufeld and Ruth Guenther were married.
 Geo. J. Kaufman and Martha Edelman were married.
 Jacob Hieb of Marion went to Europe.
 Allen Bond and Anna Wipf were married.
 Wm. Wilde and Lydia Schaffer were married.
 Fred Zeeb and Hilda Handel were married.
 Henry Stern and Amelia Bawder were married.
 Herman Schatz of Oregon and Anetta Keller were married.
 Wm. Rose and Lydia Drewitz were married.
 Fred Hafner and Rosie Huber were married.
 R. Hafner and Hulda Mayer were married.
 Wm. Triebwasser and Alice Juecht were married.
 Theo. Lang and Martha Juecht were married.
 Philipp Stern and Mrs. August Goehring were married.
 Jake Fauth and Paulina Kost were married.
 Adam Fauth and Alice Kost were married.
 Henry Huber and Lena Hodde were married.
 Theo. Weidenbach and Edna Fauth were married.
 Theo. Roth and Lydia Huber were married.
 Walter Knittel and Laura Huber were married.
 Fred Fisher and Martha Guerick were married.
 Gust Walz and Amelia Juhnke were married.
 Jake Neuharth and Ella Schorzman were married in Alpena, S. Dak.
 John P. Schulz died age 36 years, March 14th.
 Grandma Roth died age 68 years.
 Ben Triebwasser died in Mitchell hospital.
 Mrs. H. G. Mosby died.
 Mrs. Frank Schweitzer died.
 Bertha Decker and Albert Geigle were married.
 Johanna Hein and Albert Roduner were married.
 Mr. Ibburg and Fredricka Huber were married.
 Rev. Freeze was given a farewell party.
 Philipp Huber moved to Freeman.
 Fred Mayer died.
 Otto Rademacher's 11 year old daughter was killed in an auto accident.
 Emil Oswald was kicked by a horse and died.
 Joseph Liebl was found dead age 89 years.
 Edna Ulmer was found dead in bed.
 Andrew D. Mettler moved to California.
 Joe Heckenlaible and Helen Stroschein were married.
 Fred J. Stolp and Ella Jundt were married July 4, 1920.

1921

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Joe A Wollman and Lizzie Ewert were married.
 J. W. Wipf was killed in N. Dak. in an auto accident.
 Jake M. Walter and Mary Tschetter were married.
 Eugene Rittershaus and Leone Gross were married.
 Atty. Allen Stanley and Lena Kaufman were married.
 Dr. A. M. Lohrentz and Mary Wollman were married.
 Frank Wilde and Anna Nielsen were married.
 Philip Spomer and Lydia Trieber were married.

Henry Borman and Elsie Hoellwarth were married February 23.
 R. Stierle and Mrs. Carl Jeswein were married.
 Mrs. Sam Hansen died age 74 years.
 Mrs. Henry Hansen died.
 Christ Herman died age 73 years.
 Lawrence Odland and Agnes Smidt were married.
 P. P. Huber was married in Bowdle, S. Dak.
 Emil Aman and Paulina Hieb were married.
 Ed. Schnabel and Helen Neuharth were married.
 Theo. Haar and Minnie Schramm were married.
 Adam Heckenlaible and Miss Wagner were married.
 Carl Walls mother died age 90 years.
 Wm. Bendush died age 70 years.
 Carl Gering died in Menno.
 A. F. Mutschelknaus and Hilda Stern were married.
 Christ Reiman and Christina Koerner were married.
 The Rev. J. A. Schamber family moves to Montana on his father's farm.
 The following were Confirmed at the St. Paul's Lutheran Church: Conrad Schamber, Franklin Oetting, Lorence Schroeder, Carl Ibis, John Jundt, Erhard Knittel, Carrie Ellwein, Wanda Liepelt, Aleta Haar, Frieda Liebholz, Clara Walz, Beata Galster, Martha Kalwat.

1922

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Henry Wilde and Barbara Walter were married April 19.
 John Daman and Mrs. moved to California.
 Ben Haar family moved to Bowdle, S. Dak.
 John Janzen and Anna B. Wipf were married.
 Fred Steinfadt died in Montana.
 Bruno Baer and Minnie Schmidt were married.
 Prof. Dugan and Justina Wollmann were married.
 Emil J. Gruber and Evelyn Wipf were married.
 A. Brandt and Paulina Pankratz were married in Rochester, Minn.
 Wm. L. Groves died.
 Clarence Jorgensen and Silvia Richter were married.
 Mrs. L. Downer died.
 Jess F. Schmidt and Minnie Vetter were married.
 John Schweitzer and Bertha Goebel were married.
 Theo. Hafner and Helen Galster were married.
 Albert Keller and Tina Pfeiffer were married.
 Albert H. Huber and Martha Auch were married.
 August Schnabel and Lena Feidler were married.
 Ed. Zickrick and Louise Turner were married.
 Herman Hein and Porta Rademacher were married.
 Phillip Huber and Albina Huber were married.
 The Rev. Hoddi family moved to Collinsville, Ill.
 Mrs. Andrew Goering died age 47 years.
 Jake Kirschenman died age 75 years.
 Geo. Steiger died age 69 years.
 Math Mayer died in Bridgewater age 60 years.
 George Goehring moved to California.

1923

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Phillip Hafner and Albina Huber were married.
 Ed. Holzwarth is here from Montana.
 Emil Nuss is attending an auto school in Kansas.
 Gust Decombaz moved to Virgil.
 John A Walz had a sale and moves to Yale.
 Otto Hafner of Harvey, N. Dak. and Adella Hafner were married.
 L. M. Downer and Christina Ellwein were married.
 David Isaac died in the Yankton hospital, tonsil operation.

Gottlieb Mutschelknaus died at Scotland age 68.
G. A. Koster and May Wipf were married.
Frank Wilde moved to Nebraska.
The Ferd Guenthner family moved to California.
Gust Leske moved to California.
Grandma Schamber died age 86 years.
Leon Stockton and Alice Wipf were married.
A. Mellinger and Anna Walter were married.
John Schamber died.
Chas. Preheim and Hilda Goehring were married.
Mrs. Henry Nuss died in California.

1924

Kassel, Freeman, Heilbronn, Molan, Johanestahl, Clayton
Mrs. Fridericka Walz died age 60 years.
Emanuel Neuhardt and Martha Gehring were married.
Otto W. Huber and Mathilda J. Rieb were married.
Mrs. Leon Gering's mother died in Menno.
Phillip Walz and Gertrude Knodel were married.
Jacob Stolp died, born February 27, 1859. Mr. and Mrs. Stolp were married May 24, 1887. Age 69 years.
C. J. Goering will have a sale.
Mrs. Ted Pressler died in Menno.
Math Hafner died age 72 years.
Andrew Frank died.
The new Heilbronn church was dedicated.
John A. Gross and Elsie Ripple were married.
Arthur Walter and Christina Memenga were married October 30.
R. Schmidtgall and Amelia Walz were married.
Gottlieb Ellwein of Hasmer and Sophie Hafner were married.
Dave Schneider and Mrs. Bertha Wagner were married.
Grandma Koerner died age 84 years.
Clayton Lutheran Church observed their Silver Anniversary.
Dr. A. J. Jaton located at Scotland.
Mrs. John Schempp died age 76 years.
John J. Schempp moved to Portland, Oregon.
Francis Busher and Rosella Wollman were married.
Paul I. Tschetter and Helen Klasi were married.
Joe T. Gross and Elsie Arbeiter were married on April 27.
The following were Confirmed at the St. Paul's Lutheran Church: Armin Ellwein, Linton Ellwein, Gilbert Haar, Viola Haar, Erwin Knodel, Emma Moench, Phillip Moench, Ziona Schamber, Ella Schorzman, Gerhardt Walz.
Gilbert Gullickson and Helen Jorstad were married.
Henry Kleinsasser and Fern Wagner were married.
Mrs. C. N. Dugan (nee Jessie Wollman) died age 24 years.
Peter Weigum and Elsie Bauer were married.
Theo. Kleinsasser and Mabel Morgandale were married.
The W. H. Schatz family moved to Oregon.

1925

Freeman, Clayton, Molan, Johannestahl, Kassel
Ernest Guericke and Mary Werning were married.
Andrew Bertsch Sr. died age 77 years.
Adam Hein Sr. died age 87 years.
Pastor John Sattler died age 67 years.
Mrs. John Voss died age 79 years.
Wm. Klaudt and Olga Dannenbring were married.
Albert Delzer and Otilia Heckenlaible were married in November.
Herman Hansen and Martha Wahl were married.
R. Hock died while harvesting in N. Dak.
Johnny Hafner and Edna Mayer were married.

Jacob Kost and Mrs. Alex Janz were married.
Herman Turnow was killed when hauling a cow and tipped over.
Wm. Stern and Ida Juhnke were married February 17.
John Stern of Ipswich and Ella Stern from here were married.
John Schempp Sr. died age 77 years.
Ed. Hoellwarth and Lottie Eggert of Tripp were married.
Albert Zobel takes treatments in Sioux City.
Arthur Guericke and Alice Werning were married.
Geo. Weich was shot by his renter.
Henry Pfeiffer died Sept. 10, age 70 years.

1926

Freeman, Clayton, Molan, Johannestahl, Kassel
Konrad Ellwein and Adolphine Mayer were married.
John Schultdt of Spencer died.
Grandma Juhnke died.
The infant baby of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Adams died.
Jacob Bittner died age 71 years.
Mrs. John Wahl died age 44 years.
Herman Harnisch and Augusta Juhnke were married.
John Langle died age 69 years.
Amalia Huber and Edward W. Huber were married Dec. 5, 1926.
Carl Wilde died suddenly in an explosion while working in the Freeman Light Plant on Nov. 10.

1927

Freeman, Clayton, Molan, Johannestahl, Kassel
Fred Lippert and Irene Schumacher were married.
Mrs. Albert Zabel returned from Rochester where her daughter had an operation.
A class of six were Confirmed at Clayton, namely: Helen Gering, Erna Bendusch, Lizzie Keifer, Erna Haase, Arthur Keifer and Walter Juhnke.
A class of six boys and girls were Confirmed at the St. Paul's Lutheran Church: Ernest Oswald, Clinton Hoellwarth, Harold Moench, Melita Schenk, Esther Koerner and Erna Schamber.
Theodore Kuhlman and Ruby Bloom were married.
Mrs. Wm. Roduner died age 24 years.
Robert Stern and Martha Turnow were married.
Mrs. Fred A. Koerner died age 53 years.
Ruben Weidenbach and Lillie Stern were married Oct. 11.
Jacob Kost died age 75 years.
Ludwig Wilde died age 32 years leaving wife and one child.
I. S. Hanson died of blood poisoning.
Henry Stucky and Olga Jundt were married July 25.
Chas. Borman and Anna Moench were married Oct. 16.

1928

Freeman, Clayton, Johannestahl, Molan, Kassel
Reinhold Roth died.
Helmut Stern and Anna Turnow were married.
John Hanssen died.
Theo. Delzer and Augusta Stroschein were married.
Arthur Lehr and Lenora Diede were married.
Mrs. Magdalena Schatz (nee Delzer) died, born July 19 1861.

1929

Freeman, Clayton, Johannestahl, Molan, Kassel
Wm. Isaak died in Parkston.
Geo. A. Kuch and Martha Neu were married.
Fred Stolp had a light stroke.

Alice Dorothy, daughter of Jake T. Gross, died age 10 yrs.
Mrs. Fred Ochsner died age 23 years old.
Mrs. Albert Heckenlaible died age 27 years.
Dave Decker and Miss Juhnke were married.
Fred Mutschelknaus was surprised on his 77th birthday.
Mrs. Anna Lipelt died age 25 years.
Wm. Schoppert died age 51 years.
Hugo Dubs and Helen Schamber were married.
Mrs. August Liepelt died age 49 years.
Arnold Kost and Lenora Isaak were married.
Andrew Bauer died age 75 years.
Mrs. Delzer, mother of Carl, died Dec. 22, age 89 years.
Adam Nuss Sr. died age 91, was born in 1838.

1930

Freeman, Clayton, Kassel, Heilbronn, Molan

R. Buchman and Elfrieda Werning were married.
Benjamin Style and Frieda Koerner were married.
Mrs. John Roth died age 48 years.
Mrs. Carl Delzer died age 47 years.
Mrs. Phillip Stern died age 48 years.
Leonard Juhnke and Martha Buehner were married.
Will Schultz drowned age 25 years, son of Henry Schultz.
Arthur Edgart and Bessie Wahl were married.
George Rademacher and Alvina Stern were married.
Christ Delzer and Alvina Keller were married.
Emery Weiss and Lydia Roth were married.
Grandma Friedericka Turnow died age 95 years.
Arnold Schaeffer and Esther Bartling were married.
Carl Moege and Mrs. John P. Walz's daughter Clara were married in January.
Chas. Wilde died in an explosion in his blacksmith shop when welding a tank, exploded in May.
Mrs. Jacob Stolp died July 13.

1931

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Mrs. Caroline Zanter died age 80 years.
Mrs. John C. Walz Jr. died age 75 years.
Mrs. John Holzwarth died age 61 years.
Edward Kleinsasser died age 35 years, in accident in Indiana.
David Kost died age 64 years.
Carl Lehr died age 47 years.
Mrs. Ole Hansen died age 32 years.
Mrs. Fred A. Hauck died from burns.
Wm. Werning and Miss Mary Guericke were married.
Arnold Juhnke and Frieda Huber were married.
Mrs. Katharina Walz died age 75 years.
Richard Knittel and Adella B. F. Pfeiffer were married.
Floyd E. Christensen and Bernice Larson were married.
John Reich of Scotland died age 43 years.
Edgar Schamber and Miss Mary Pauntsch were married.
Mrs. John Sayler, Menno, died age 53 years.
Mrs. Peter Orth of Menno died.

The following were all married in June: Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Haar; Mr. and Mrs. Wilmer Fensel; Mr. and Mrs. Henry X. Miller; Mr. and Mrs. Fred Roth; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Schmidt; Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Gross; and Corney Fliginger and Ella Oldewurtel.

Fred J. Arend died age 24 years.
Prof. A. H. Dalke and Doris Foster were married.
Wm. C. Dandal and Rosa Koster were married.
Adolph Mayer died in the Mitchell hospital age 60 years.
B. C. Rix died in Bridgewater.
Martin Wiedemeier died.
C. A. Hansen died.

Fred Schram and Adella Frash were married.
Mrs. Jeff Vetter died age 77 years.
Markus Johnson died age 73 years.
Ed. Regnell and Florence Wipf were married.
Rev. John Spomer and Kathryn Schamber were married.
Ray Talsma and Donna Unruh were married.
Erwin Aman and Loretta Handel were married Aug. 30.
Arthur Parry and Ella Schaeffer were married.
Fred Theurer died age 82 years.
H. C. Boysen died.
John Holzwarth died age 61 years.
Kenneth Berry and Miss Mildred Hoelwarth were married.
Eugene A. Mettler and Hilda Neuharth were married.
Mrs. Fred Marguardt Sr. died age 62 years.
Adam Becker, formerly of Clayton, was found dead in California.
Mrs. Andrew Pankratz died at Garrison, N. Dak.

1932

Freeman, Clayton, Johannesthal, Kassel, Heilbronn, Molan

Arthur Roth died in a car accident.
Eddie Westgaard and Lilose Larson were married.
Emil Huber and Lydia Waltner were married.
Jos. J. Gross died July 20, age 63 years.
Ike Kleinsasser died July 23, age 48 years.
Christian Wacker died age 76 years.
John Weidemeier died age 78 years.
Mrs. Hans Smidt (nee Sorensen) died, she was born Oct. 4, 1867.
Miss Elsie Reimer and Helmuth Mutschelknaus were married.
Mrs. A. J. Mettler died age 51 years.
Nels Peter Andersen died.
Leonard Klingbled and Elsie Walter were married.
Mrs. Hans Smith died, born Oct. 4, 1867.
E. H. Odland died.
John Achsner and Lillie Fauth were married.
Mrs. Dorothea Mayer died, born May 22, 1864.
Mrs. Edward Baer died age 69 years.
Preston Lubker and Lillian Wood were married.
Rev. Herbert J. Bauman and Lillian D. Ellwein were married.
Mr. and Mrs. G. O. Carter celebrated their 50th wedding Anniversary.
Mrs. Peter Schamber died age 75 years.
Emil Huber and Lydia Waltner were married.
Marvin Ray Galaster Stucky died age 5 years.
Claude Groves died, a brother to Paul Groves.
Harvey Jensen and Gladys Sorensen were married.
Ed. Delzer and Dorothy Haish were married.
Ruben Knodel and Carrie Steiger were married.
Albert Juhnke and Mathilda Werning were married.
Christian Wacker died age 75 years.
Gerhardt J. Isaac and Margaret Smith were married.
Reinhold Schwabel and Ella Mettler were married.
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Dewald celebrated their golden wedding.
Mr. Fischer and Linda Schoppert were married.
Henry H. Bertsch and Martha Holzwarth were married.

1933

Freeman, Clayton, Heilbronn, Kassel, Molan

Dr. A. A. Wipf was born Sept 12, 1868, died Dec. 21, 1933.
Mrs. P. J. Hofer (nee Zeeb) died, they live in Tripp.
Henry Klasi died age 64 years.
Mrs. Theo. Haar (nee Schamber) died age 41 years.
Dr. Joe K. Schrag died age 62 years.
Andrew Wollman died age 70 years.

Joe Stucky and Martha Sherrard were married.
Ruben Liepelt and Vivian Rasmussen were married.
Dave Wipf and Miss Christina Janke were married.
Dr. A. E. Hofer died age 55 years.
Gottlieb Schaefer and Eida Oswald were married.
Mrs. Geo. Blum died at Yankton, born Oct. 17, 1846.
George Aman died age 81 years.
Mrs. Frank Zickrick died.
Mrs. Margaretha Mayer died age 68 years.
Jacob H. Mettler died age 75 years.
Mrs. Jacob Huber died age 72 years.
Peter Schoppert died age 79 years.
Mrs. Elsie Decombaz died age 67 years.
Rev. Henry Bauman died age 90 years.
Joe K. Schrag died age 62 years.
Phillip Schenk of Mennno died age 50 years.
Christopher Goettertz died age 77 years.
Hugo Buehner died age 17 years.
Peter H. Weber died in Bridgewater age 71 years.
John Roth died.
Fred Marquardt Sr. died.
Mrs. Gust Schultz died, born Dec. 22, 1892.
Edward Mutschelknaus died, born July 24, 1885.
Mrs. Fred Buchman died age 55 years.
Mrs. Lydia Huber died in Scotland Clinic, age 64 years.
Alvert Streyle and Miss Lois Hueneman were married.
Henry Schmuck died age 67 years.
Mrs. Robert Buchman died age 33 years.
Gideon Handel and Verlinda Aman were married Sept. 24.
Oliver Aman and Gertrude Herrboldt were married May 11.

1934

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Ray Herrboldt and Martha Gross were married.
Charles Walter Schmidt died age 33 years.
Elizabeth J. Wollman died age 31 years.
Dr. Ernest J. Hofer and Miss Elsie Hofer were married.
Dorothy Wipf and John H. Dalke were married.
Wm. Dewald died age 77 years.
Mrs. Henry Fauth died, born Nov. 17, 1867.
Oscar Vetter and Miss Earrie M. Anderson were married.
Alfred Dubs and Elsie Heckenlaible were married.
Wm. Voss died.
Robert Buchman and Hilda Meisenholder were married.
Miss Doro Hildegard Mensch died age 27 years.
Mrs. Johanna Edelman died, born July 15, 1863.
Johnny Zarutzsky and Luella Kost were married.
Emil Ulmer died.
Harry Smith died, born Dec. 12, 1902.
Christian Auch died age 88 years.
Kay Audrey Solberg died, born July 26, 1926.
Mrs. Reinhold Mutschelknaus (nee Alice Warne) died in June age 20 years. (Reiny and Alice were married in 1930).
Ruben Haar and Eleanor Elker were married.
Frank Zickrick died age 74 years.
Mrs. Gilbert Haar (nee Erna Galster) died, born Jan. 11, 1913.
Dr. Jungman died age 43 years.
O. T. Akland died age 96 years.
Wilma Johanna Wilde died age 4 years.
Mrs. Chris O. Carter died, born Jan. 7, 1856.
Grandma Holzwarth died age 94 years.
Christ Weidenbach died.
Miss Anna Radal died.
Leo M. Roth and Miss Elda Lindeman were married.

Martin Krueger and Emma Schoppert were married.
Henry Mayer and Rose Ellwein were married.

1935

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Fred Jundt died July 28, age 64 years. (Mr. and Mrs. Jundt were married Nov. 13, 1894).
Adolph Oswald died age 53 years.
Erwin G. Decker and Mable Janssen were married.
Gottlieb Vetter died age 78 years.
Mrs. C. Wacker died in N. Dak. age 70 years.
Albert Herrboldt and Esther Aman were married.
Merrel Brown and Otilia Kapsch were married.
Walter Huether and Emma Decker were married.
Mrs. Gottlieb Stern died age 79 years.
Jacob Shilling died.
Andrew Hehn died age 68 years.
Carl Wurdelman Sr. of Emery died age 87 years. (Blind 13 years).
Andreas Schemp died age 59 years.
Mr. and Mrs. Fred Huether had their 25 wedding anniversary Nov. 10.
Mike Lipke was killed in an accident.
Mrs. Henry Hoefs died age 80 years.
Andrew Frank died. Rev. F. A. Rittershaus died.
Mrs. Jacob Richert died age 41 years.
Roland Knodel and Grace Hofer were married.
Mrs. Dan Mehner died age 73 years.
Charles Henry Delzer died age 38 years.
Mrs. Rev. F. H. Wenger died age 44 years.
Mrs. August Snyder died Jan. 21.
Mrs. Fred Gall died Jan. 28 age 50 years.
Mrs. Theo Grossman died Dec. 19, 1935 age 68.
Jacob Kautz was killed in Chicago, age 53 years.
John Walz Sr. died age 80 years.
Harry Bisbing died age 35 years.
John Wiens died in Montana.
John Hunt and Kathryn Weidmeier were married June 23.
Fred D. Mehlhaff died age 55 years.
Mrs. August Herr died age 75 years.
Judge Tripp died at Yankton age 29 years.
Mrs. Henry Nuss died in California.
Laura, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Kleinsasser, died age 17 years.
John Huber died, born in 1850.
Rachel Hoffman died age 24 years.
Edwin Kleinsasser and Florence Marquis were married.
Ralph Mosby died at Yankton.
Mrs. Ad Millaud died age 89 years.
Wm. Funk died age 57 years.
L. Schumacher died age 64 years.
John Smith and Miss Elizabeth Hofer were married.
Robert Voss died age 57 years.
Walter Schone and Miss Margaret Krueger were married.
Mrs. P. J. Waltner died age 35 years.
Herbert Heckenlaible and Miss Elsie Breitkreutz were married.
A. E. Gammons died age 81 years.
Eddie De Fehr and Miss Emma Kleinsasser were married.
Wilbur H. Odland and Miss Dora Brodland were married.
Mrs. George Neuharth died age 73 years.
Wm. Hieb died, born 1887.
Ernest Oswald, Clifford Wollman, John E. Kleinsasser, and Jake Poillman left for the C.C. Camp.
Mrs. Jacob Hofman died, born 1868.
Abe Jantz and Lena Wedel were married, started housekeeping with 11 children.

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Peter Jorstad died age 88 years.
Mrs. Barbara Pfeiffer died age 80 years.
Wm. Huber died age 71 years.
Henry Leithold and Erna Stern were married.
Andrew Mettler died age 78 years.
Clayton Missouri Synod observed its 50 anniversary.
Mrs. Chas. Langle died age 62 years.
Mrs. Marie Ahrendt died age 49 years.
Mrs. Amelia Decker (nee Triebwasser) died age 56 years.
Miss Lillian Schenk and Andrew Holzwarth were married.
Richard Scharzman and Miss Martha Schemp were married.
Mrs. Geo. Schuler (nee Mutschelknaus) died.
Wayne Edward Koerner died, born July 3, 1936.
John Rittershaus died.
A class of six was confirmed: Isabella Jaton, Mildred Leibl, Alvina Langle, Marian Dannenbring, Richard Guericke, and Walter Schulz.
Geo. Schamber died age 77 years.
Mrs. John Hafner died Jan. 4, age 75 years.
Fred Schimkat died age 77 years.
John Hafner died Jan. 10, age 78 years.
Peter Christian Richter died age 68 years.
Joe Litke and Miss Anna Reimer were married.
Mrs. Jacob Guthmiller died, born Oct. 11, 1870.
Chas. B. Waltner and Dorothy Gross, daughter of John G. Gross of Freeman, were married.
Alvin Koerner and Miss Meta Bender were married.
M. A. Wright died.
Will Kilbert died.
Erwin R. Auch and Alitha Schafer were married.
Editor J. S. Headley of Menno died in Oct., age 77 years.
John M. Downer died age 90 years.
Henry Leithold and Miss Erna Stern were married.
Otto Hoffman and Miss Evelyn Tschetter were married.
Christian Claus died age 81 years.
Laurel B. Duncan and Jake M. Huber's daughter, Lillian, were married.
Mrs. John J. Koerner died age 55 years.
Reinhold Epp died.
Rev. Inzs died age 69 years.
Mrs. John Walth Sr. died.
Inger G. Mosby died 62 years.
Mrs. A. Wimple died.
Mrs. Tobias Jantz died age 86 years.
Andrew Mettler died age 78 years.
John Oswald died.
J. A. Kleinsasser died age 66 years.
Mrs. Wm. Liddick died age 77 years.
Mrs. Cassie B. Groves died, born Nov. 24, 1861.
John Baer died age 75 years.
Andrew F. Mickels died.
Ed. Luebke and Miss Gertrude Guericke were married.
Jake Tschetter and Miss Beatrice Wagner were married.
Josh J. Tschetter and Miss Grace Bertus were married.
Herbert Reimer and Miss Ruby Rempel were married.
Geo. Warne and Miss Ruth Kost were married by Rev. Walter Gering.
O. Edwin Gullickson died in July, age 63 years.
Kenneth Stanley died age 11 years.
Henry Brown died in Pierre.
Mrs. Elizabeth Mehlhaff died age 87 years.
Louise Doering died age 65 years.
Mrs. Geo. Neuharth died age 73 years.
Mrs. John Roduner died.

Mrs. Ed Mayer died near Emery.
Emil Moege and Miss Ida Walz were married.
Zora Sherard died, born Nov. 23, 1905.
Mrs. Mildred Richert died, born Sept. 25, 1905.
Jacob Miller and Miss Ella Spoomer were married.
Rev. Otto Bruntsch died age 62 years.
Mrs. John T. Berg died age 43 years.
Paul Anderson and Miss Myrtle Shetten were married.
Gilbert Sneeing died.
Dick Holt died.
Mrs. Maria Emma Wilhelmina Ahrendt died age 49 years.
Mrs. O. E. Gullickson died in Oct. age 63 years.
Jacob Bieber and Miss Maggie Guthmiller were married.
Ruben Neuharth and Miss Martha Goehring were married.
Marilyn Virginia Stern died age 29 days.
Andrew Holzwarth and Miss Lillian Schenk were married.
Erwin Stern and Miss Emma Marquardt were married.
Tom Brown died.
Jake Pfeiffer and Miss Katie Holzwarth were married.
Roy Broer and Miss Martha Koerner were married.
Theo. Guthmiller and Miss Olinda Oswald were married.
Mrs. Mike Heible died.
Mrs. J. J. Pietz died age 74 years.
Mrs. Margaret Zehnpfennig died age 92 years.
Wm. Mielke died age 78 years.
Dr. Church died age 64 years.
Andrew Kroeger died age 49 years.

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Edna Waldner, daughter of Jacob M. Waldner, and Thomas Satter were married.
John Sayler died age 63 years.
Wm. Dannenbring died age 45 years.
Stanley Larson and Miss Anna Mosby were married.
Norene Mayer, daughter of Mrs. Adolph Mayer, died age 22 years.
Dr. Arthur Reding and Miss Muriel Melcher were married.
Jacob Aman died age 60 years.
Rev. O. H. Brodland and Miss Mabel Gunderson were married.
Rev. Doege died age 62 years.
Ferd Walter and Mrs. Clara (Guenther) Smidt were married.
Mrs. Hochalter died age 27 years.
Eldon Preheim and Miss Ruth Schamber were married.
Mrs. Christina Kautz died, born Oct. 1, 1853.
Mrs. Fred Bender Sr. died.
George Oorlog and Miss Helen Fithian were married.
Theo. Frank, son-in-law to Mrs. Mike Stern, died suddenly.
Henry Wagner died.
Joe Neuman and Miss Dorothy Tschetter were married.
Mr. Hofer and Miss Martha Tschetter were married.
Mrs. Robert Keller died age 35 years.
Mrs. Pauline Fiedler died age 76 years.
Daniel Mettler died age 79 years.
Elcer Stern and Miss Lois Perkins were married.
Mrs. Robert Buchman died age 33 years.
Mrs. J. J. Vogt died, born in 1884.
Edward Preheim and Miss Alma Ortman were married.
Mrs. J. J. Just died age 55 years.
Geo. Heine died.
Wilbur Ellwein and Miss Martha Prezler were married.
Mrs. Peter J. Waltner in Freeman died age 34 years.
John Borman died age 34 years.
John Neifer and Miss Ella Wolf were married.
Lester Sherard died age 17 years.

Johnny Schuldt died age 27 years.
J. J. Fluth died.
Maynard Jensen and Miss Eunice Manning were married.
Mrs. M. F. Gordon died.
Walter Haar and Miss Lorraine Kilber were married.
Fred Herman died age 59 years.
John Heinrichs and Miss Frieda Johnson were married.
Mrs. Nicholaus Kost died.
Henry Hafner died age 75 years.
Mrs. Eliza Knittle died age 45 years.
Walter Kleinsasser and Miss Evelyn Olson were married.
Dave Heckenlaible died.
Adam Prezler died.
Peter Schamber born Aug. 24, 1897, died age 89 years.
Robert Voss died age 57 years.
Arthur Keiper and Louise Langle were married.
Mr. Simpson and Susana Mayer were married.
Mrs. Adel Millaud (nee Buxal) died, born Dec. 20, 1847.
Mrs. John P. Walz's son Gerhardt and Lucille Lemke were married May 8.
Wm. G. Huber Jr. died age 32 years, was born 1904.

1938

Freeman, Clayton, Heilbronn, Kassel, Kleinkassel
Mrs. Trowbridge died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Robert Haar.
Harold Gross was ordained as minister by Rev. P. R. Schroeder.
Sam Decker of Clayton and Mrs. Dóra Schoppert of Wolf Creek were married.
G. Hildebrandt of Dallas, Oregon, passed away.
Henry Buchman of Otter Creek, N. Dak. passed away. He is a brother of Fred Buchman here.
Burial was held for Mr. and Mrs. Fred Becker. They died only six days apart at Edgemont, S. Dak. Mrs. Becker was a sister of John Harnisch, Emery.
Mr. and Mrs. Paul R. M. Hofer were married 40 years.
Alvin H. Huber and Miss Ludigard Handel were married Jan. 16.
Mr. and Mrs. John W. Dubs celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary.
Mr. and Mrs. A. Gering observed their 60th Wedding Anniversary, Mr. Gering is 82 years old and Mrs. Gering is 80 years old.
Mrs. Louie Zanter died at Clayton age 57 years.
Mrs. Adam Bertsch died at Greenway.
Mrs. Christina Juhnke (nee Sayler) passed away at the age of 67 years.
Mrs. G. Williams passed away.
Miss Rose Stern and William Roduner were married.
Arthur Schimkat and Miss Anna B. Hofer, daughter of Mrs. Barbara Hofer, were married.
Louie Rademacher died at the age of 65 years.
Mrs. John Gronn passed away, she is well known here.
Elias G. Wipf died age 62 years.
John Z. Wipf died at the home of his son in Bridgewater.
Mrs. Dr. J. P. Isaac passed away in California, age 59 years.
Walter Oswald and Miss Bezug were married.
Elmer Guthmiller and Miss Thelma Mettler were married.
Conrad Guericke died, his age is 73 years.
Henry S. Hanson passed away, he is 58 years old.
Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Christensen observed their 25th wedding anniversary.
Mrs. Anna Stucky passed away age 71 years.
Joe Walter, son of John J. Walter, and Miss Bertha Anderson of Molan were married.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Schneider celebrated their 25th Wedding Anniversary at Rockham.
Henry Kilbert passed away at Roscoe, he is the father-in-law of Mrs. Edna (Stading) Kilbert.
Mrs. Leon Gering went to N. Dak. to attend the funeral of her brother Theodore Heher age 58 years.
Walter, son of Wm. Pfeiffer, and Miss Ruth Hauck were married.
Miss Lorayne Tschetter and Harley Dannenbring were married.
Carly Peterson died at the age of 40 years in N. Dak.
Lydia Luebke, daughter of Rev. Luebke, and Henry Borehard of Mansfield were married.
Alfred Roscamp passed away at Shafter, California. Mrs. Roscamp is a sister to Mrs. Leon Gering, city.
Henry Walz, son of Mrs. John P. Walz, and Miss Dorothy B. Gross, sister of Jake T. Gross, were married.
Edwin Heckenlaible passed away at the age of 35 years.
Carrie Ellwein, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Ellwein, and Erwin G. Schamber were married.
Miss Ruth Ellwein, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Ellwein, and Theodore G. Schreiner of Tomball, Texas, were married.
Oscar Carter, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Carter, and Hazel Hanson were married.
Mr. and Mrs. Praven Christensen celebrated their 25th Wedding Anniversary.
Miss Vivian Gering, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. A. Gering, and Theo. Harder, son of the late Prof. D. E. Harder were married.
Alexander Aberle passed away age 54 years.
Mr. and Mrs. Chas. B. Grimm of Olivet, will celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary.
Druggist Corkill and Miss Irene Oberle of Marion, were married.
Miss Pauline Hoffman of Ohio, and Glenn H. Waltner of this City, were married.
Mr. and Mrs. John Daman, formerly of this city, who now live at Visalia, California, celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary.
Miss Arlene Gross, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jake T. Gross, and David L. Hofer were married.
The tragic death of Miss Betty Schnaidt, age 17, was a shock, she is the daughter of Wm. Schnaidt.
Mrs. Carl Hoefs passed away age 60 years.
Gilbert G. Haar and Miss Opal Dare were married.
Mrs. Christina Hafner (nee Weber) passed away age 78 years.
Violet Marquardt, daughter of Carl Marquardt, and Melvin Schwartz were married.
The 50th Anniversary of the St. Paul School took place Rev. H. Bauman was the main speaker.
Erwin Kleinsasser, son of Jacob A. Kleinsasser and Miss Elenora Hoefs were married.
Wilbur K. Huber, son of Mrs. Jake M. Huber, and Margaret Heinz of Springfield, were married.
Mrs. Harold Janzig passed away at Dell Rapids.
Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Neuhardt celebrated their 25th Wedding Anniversary.
Mrs. Regina Steiger passed away age 49 years.
Geo. H. Goehring died in Lodi, California, age 62 years.
Mrs. Carl Kirschenman died in California.
Mr. and Mrs. John Downer celebrated their 65th Wedding Anniversary.
Ludwig Rabe and Bertha Kirschenman were married.
Miss Arlene Hehn and Ray Kludt were married.

Funeral services were conducted at Menno for Mrs. Carl Aisenbrey Sr.

Mrs. Adam Herman died at Zap, N. Dak.

Eleanore, daughter of Mrs. Jacob Roth and Leon Herman were married.

G. A. Lipelt, son of August Lipelt, and Virginia Burchardi of Tripp were married November 10.

Ruth Oswald, daughter of Wm. Oswald, and Ole Brunswick of Irene were married.

Prof. and Mrs. Klawitter of Heilbronn were surprised on their 25th Wedding Anniversary by their friends.

R. Baer died suddenly on the way home from town with Mrs. Baer.

Emmanuel Tschetter, son of Butcher Tschetter, and Esther Reimer of Yankton were married.

Mrs. Ben Haisch of Carson, N. Dak. died, she is a sister to Mrs. Conrad Enders (nee Rachel Wipf) age 59 years.

LuVerne Borman, son of Wm. Borman, and Maxine Lande of Coleman were married.

Erwin Edgar Haar, son of Theo. F. Haar, passed away age was 17 years.

Peter W. Friesen died in the hospital at Sioux Falls, his age is 60 years 10 months.

August Neuharth and Viola Aman were married Aug. 14.

Otto Stern and Vernell Fischer were married Feb. 18.

Fred Mutschelknaus and Evelyn Loaper were married Oct. 7.

1939

Freeman, Clayton, Heilbronn, Kassel, Kleinkassel, Molan
Elmer Bartling went to Marion to work in the lumber yard. On Jan. 1, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Kleinsasser were surprised on their Silver Wedding.

Gottlieb Mettler and wife had a car accident in Lodi, Calif. His wife Rosina died 4 hours later. He was able to attend the funeral on a stretcher on Dec. 31.

John H. Weier died, born in Germany June 30, 1864.

Fred M. Jensen's daughter, Rosanna, died age nearly 5 years.

Walt Bruun is visiting in Denmark. He writes that it's great to visit where you were born and raised.

A shower was given to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Stern.

Jake Hafner and Wife celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary.

Richard Stern and Agnes Krueger were married Jan. 12. Helmuth Bauer of Blue Grass N. Dak., died of a ruptured appendix at the age of 28.

Mrs. Arthur Liepelt died in Chicago. They are well known here.

Duane Corkill's father died age 69 years.

John Fink died. His sister, Mrs. Gottlieb Mettler died in a car accident on Chritmas.

Alfred A. Koerner and Violet Schorzman of Lesterville were married.

Mrs. George Aman died Jan. 27, age 81 years.

A letter was received from R. Dewald in California; always interesting.

Herbert Koerner of Alpena and Doris McFerrin were married.

Mrs. Herman Rademacher died at Canistota.

Mrs. Carolina Lehr died at Alpena, age 83 years.

Eldor Schamber fell on ice and uses crutches.

Andrew Delzer and sons were here from Gregory. They take care of an 800 acre farm and much livestock.

Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Pfeiffer celebrated their 35th wedding anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. John P. Walz were married the same day but Mr. Walz died about 20 years ago.

Ludwig Oswald died south of town.

Miss Mollie M. Walz, daughter of John A. Walz, and Albert Smith were married.

Mrs. Hans C. Larson (nee Karen Jansen), died age 81 years.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Huber were surprised on their 21st wedding anniversary.

Mrs. John Teske of Zap, N. Dak. died. She is a sister of Mrs. Gott. Lang.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Juhnke celebrated their 20th wedding anniversary.

Mrs. John Koerner Sr. died at her daughter's home in Lodi, Calif. She is Mrs. Voll. Remains were shipped to Menno.

Mrs. Rev. Rittershaus died at Streeter, N. Dak. Her husband died three years ago.

Mr. Geo. Zeller died suddenly in the court house at Car. Mr. and Mrs. Sam Christensen celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary.

Ethel Fliginger and G. Rexwinkel, of Armour, were married Nov. 12, 1938.

Albert Koerner is now settled in East Freeman.

Mrs. Frasch of Menno died age 91 years. She is the mother of Mrs. Jake Ellwein.

C. J. Koerner's condition is serious.

Peter J. Jorstad died age 88 years; 1hour and 45 minutes after his birthday.

John Aman's granddaughter, Sylvia, died of pneumonia.

Gideon Koerner and Anna Schnabel, Emery, were married.

Mrs. David Keller Sr. died Mar. 3, age 64 years.

Raymond Herrboldt moved from Shafter to Lodi, Calif.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Stern died.

Helmuth and Arthur Stern attended Aunt Mrs. Jacob Werner (nee Walender) at Zap, N. Dak. She grew up in the Freeman neighborhood.

Mrs. Rudolph Kinast died. Her sister Mrs. Arthur Liepelt died near the same place just recently. Their mother past 80 is still living. They died in Chicago. The women are sisters to Carl Jeswein.

The following were confirmed at the Luthern Church in Freeman: Hildegard Haupt, Elsie Pidde, Erna Pillar, Agnes Ibis, Gertrude Schamber, Leonora Spomer, Lucille Wagner, Esther Schuldt, Gerhard Schamber, Erwin Stark, and Leonard Wilde.

Wm. Pfeiffer's daughter Helen, and Carl Thorson of Soo Falls were married.

Paul Groves had an operation in Hot Springs, S. Dak.

Mrs. Elsie Tiede (nee Juhnke), daughter of Carl Juhnke, died age 30 years.

Herbert Haar bought the Dr. L. C. Benesh house.

Mrs. John Gross had a stroke which paralized her left side.

Mrs. Adam Hein died age 84 years.

Loana Handel and Ruben Koerner were married.

Jacob Mehlhaff died.

John M. Downer died age past 90 years.

Editor Peckham died age 66 years, at Parkston.

Edwin Pfeiffer and Esther Koerner were married.

Mrs. Juecht, mother of Mrs. C. Oldewurtel, died age 83 years.

Andrew H. Goehring died April 18, age 74 years. He came to Lodi, Calif. in 1937 to live with his children.

Mrs. F. J. Ellwein suffered several dislocations when she fell down the basement.

Altha Roth, daughter of Mrs. Rein Roth, and Edwin Gansky of Lesterville were married.

Walter Walz is home from C.C. Camp for a week.

Geo. Stern, son of Stephen Stern, died age 68 years. He had diebetes and as a result he had amputation of the limbs twice.

Dan Walz and Adam Herman of Zap N. Dak. left for Butte Nebr. for a visit, and while there Dan died suddenly at the age of 68 years.

Emil A. Hofer and Margaret Jensen of Hurley were married.

Sarah Engbrecht and Edward Crum of Washington D.C. were married May 28.

Irene Guthmiller and Myron Imeg were married April 30. Orlando Waltner and Vernelle Schroeder were married. Andrew Schafer's daughter, Jane, and Kenneth Weiland were married.

Dr. and Mrs. M. J. Wollman returned from Bluffton, Ohio, where they attended her mothers funeral.

Mr. and Mrs. John G. Pfeiffer, Mr. and Mrs. C. Walz, and Mrs. John P. Walz went to Butte Nebr. to see Dan Walz before he is taken to N. Dak. for burial.

Marie Stoebner of Tripp and Erwin Wollman of Freeman were married June 18.

Esther Evelyn Brodland and Lewis Jorstad were married June 7.

Johnny Neufeld and Arlene Larson were married.

Christ Marquardt and a lady from Corsica were married. Paul Andree died age 57 years.

Jennet Huber stayed with her sister in Calif. for 9 months. The 3 month old baby of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Roth died.

Mrs. Henry Leigh and daughter left for Los Angeles on account of the former's health.

Rueben Sayler and Martha Holzwarth were married.

Wm. G. Huber died of Dropsy, age 86 years.

Chas. Hoefs Sr. died. He passed his 92nd birthday.

Mrs. Rosina Schnabel and George Schuler were married.

Miletta Dubs and William O. Huber were married.

Rev. P. R. Schroeder is suffering from cancer.

Lillie Wagner and Gilbert Kirschenman were married.

Herbert Haar and Pauline Buls of Nebr. were married Aug. 20.

Geo. Roth died in the Mitchell hospital from blood poison. Rev. Harold Gross left for Hartford Conn. to resume school work.

Alvin Huber bought the Fred Mutschelknaus house.

Louis Jorstad is in serious condition. He was gored by a bull. He was tossed over the fence and lost a lot of blood.

Claudia Ellwein (R. N.) is home from Chicago visiting her folks.

E. N. Schuff is the new man for the Northwestern P.S. Co. Rev. Bodeman of Menno accepted a call to Wishek, N. Dak.

A letter from Alfred Pidde says he left for Hawaii.

Ivy Christensen and Erwin Anderson were married.

Eldon H. Gruber bought the P. C. Stucky house.

Ed. J. Preheim bought the Andrew Schrag house; east part of town.

Clara Wollman, daughter of Andrew J. Wollman, Freeman, was married to Alfred Pietz of Parkston.

Druggist Corkill's new house will be ready to occupy by winter.

Adam Auch's daughter Adeline died in Pueblo, Colo. at the age of 23 years.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Larson is dead. Mrs. Larson is the former Anna Mosby.

Mrs. John Holzwarth will have a sale Nov. 23.

Mrs. John Borman had a bad heart attack.

Helmuth Mutschelknaus bought the John Z. Wipf house.

Mrs. Charlie Kunkel (nee Elsie Oswald) died Nov. 21, age 31 years.

Mrs. Fred Kost (nee Hinzman) died Nov. 11, born Oct. 7, 1866.

Mrs. Jos. J. Tschetter's daughter, Martha, and Ray Rittle of Wagner were married.

John G. Stucky's son and Miss Klassen were married in Kansas.

The Wm. D. Oetting family get along nicely at Yoder, Ind. Wm. Juhnke had his little finger smashed.

Miss Roberta is teaching in New York.

Rev. Harold Gross is attending school at Hartford, Conn.

Mrs. Ed Zickrick died Dec. 19, age 42 years.

Laura Brucklacher and Ludwig Skauge of Moorehead, Minn. were married Saturday Dec. 16 in Sioux Falls.

Mrs. Carl Christensen died Dec. 27.

Iver Svartoein died Dec. 24, age 61 years.

1940

Freeman, Clayton, Kassel, Kleinkassel, Heilbronn, Molan
Henry Huber and Miss Violet Schoppert were married.

Miss Theola Schoppert, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Schoppert of Yankton, and Chester J. Lien of Yankton were married.

Merlyn Dean, 3 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Mettler, passed away at the Huron hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Christ Schemp near Menno, celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary. Mrs. Schemp is a sister to C. J. Koerner.

Miss Viola Hauck, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Aug. J. Hauck, and Milfred Maas, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Maas, were married.

Ruben Pfeiffer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Pfeiffer, and Miss Hertha Ulmer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Ulmer were married.

Lena Kleinsasser, daughter of Mrs. Anna J. Hofer, and Lawrence Hauser, son of Mrs. Lewis Hauser of Parkston, were married.

Miss Wanda Haupt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Haupt, and Herbert Decker, son of Sam J. Decker of Clayton, were married.

Miss Frieda Kautz, daughter of Abe Kautz, and Ben Tschetter, son of Rev. and Mrs. D. W. Tschetter, were married.

Mr. and Mrs. Simon Triebwasser observed their 50th wedding anniversary. They are the grandparents of the Sam J. Decker children.

Miss Goldie Goertz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Goertz, and William Theophilus of Iroquois, were married.

Earl Larson, son of L. C. Larson, and Miss Clara Schoppert from near Freeman, were married.

Alfred Liebl of Indiana, Penn. passed away age 66 years. He is well known in the Clayton area.

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Walz celebrated their silver wedding anniversary.

Charles Hartsough died age 65 years. He was buried at Marion where he was at one time publisher of the Marion Record.

John Uphoff died age 86 years at Spencer S. Dak.

Leona, daughter of R. J. Huber, and Leonard, son of Otto Dannenbring, were married.

Otto Fredrick Ferdinand Rademacher died age 71 years.

John Knodel died age 61 years at the Mitchell hospital. He is a brother-in-law to Mrs. John P. Walz.

Mrs. Michael Stern (nee Elizabeth Renschler) passed away at the age of 75 years, 11 months, and 14 days.

John P. Stahl and Mary Kleinsasser, daughter of Rev. J. W. Kleinsasser, were married.

Mrs. Margarite Huber (nee Walz) died age 80 years.
 Nick Krickreme of Carter, S. Dak. died and was buried near Hurley. He was a son-in-law of the late Grandfather Hoefs.
 Dr. S. K. Mosiman died in the Bluffton hospital, age 72 years. He is a brother to Dr. Edison Mosiman, a former president of Freeman College.
 Mr. and Mrs. Ernst Schamber celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary.
 Karl Mutschelknaus died age 74 years.
 Mrs. George Groves (nee Buryaska) passed away.
 Mr. and Mrs. Otto Rose celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary.
 Mr. and Mrs. William Werning of Parkston celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.
 Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hoelworth observed their 33rd wedding anniversary.
 Alleton Aman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Aman, and Eleanor Handel, daughter of Mrs. John Handel, were married April 14.
 The 25th wedding anniversary for Mr. and Mrs. Leon C. Weier is to be held at the Idlewilde Catholic Church.
 Miss Eleanor Aman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Aman, and Leonard Neuhardt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Neuhardt of Menno, were married.
 Mr. and Mrs. Benj. Yopp of Marion celebrated their 25th Wedding Anniversary.
 Miss Eva Brucklacher and Alfred Wek were married.
 Miss Magdalena Schnaitt, sister of Emil Schnaitt of Menno died suddenly in California. She was a nurse and 51 years old.
 Math J. and Sam Kleinsasser attended the funeral for their brother Andrew in N. Dak. His age is 53 years.
 Miss Alice Dannenbring, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Dannenbring, and Leonard Buehner, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Buehner were married.
 A. Gering died at the age of 84 years.
 Harold Auch and Olinda Auch were married Sept. 1.
 The 17 year old son of Theo. Haar at Menno drowned in the Jim River.
 Miss Roberta Haar arrived home from New York to help her parents Mr. and Mrs. Robert Haar celebrate their 25th Wedding Anniversary.
 M. Wollmann, son of Michael and Kathrine Wollmann, passed away at the age of 89 years, 8 month, 16 days.
 Mr. Ray Unruh and Erma Olesen were united in marriage.
 Miss Olga Carter of Freeman became the bride of Herman Marquart of Wallace, Idaho.
 Census returns give Freeman a population of 977.
 Mrs. Ed. P. Walz died at Yale, she is a sister to John Daman of Wisallia, California.
 Miss Tracy Dangel and John Anderson were married.
 Miss Elizabeth Hofer, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. M. M. Hofer and Raymond B. Finn of Wayne, Nebr., were married.
 Gladys Pearl Walz, oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Walz, died at the age of 10 years.
 Mrs. Wm. J. Schaefer died at the age of 45 years.
 Edward Bauer passed away at the Eureka hospital, funeral took place at Zeeland, N. Dak. Mrs. Bauer is a daughter of Christ Walz. Mr. Bauer was 52 years old.
 Fred Pfeiffer injured his hand while helping at the elevator and is under the doctor's care.
 George Schamber residing near Heilbronn received word from Vebelon, S. Dak. that his sister Mrs. Emil Ulmer (Clara) died unexpectedly. The body was brought to Menno for burial.

Miss Viona Aman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Aman and Tilman Schnabel were married.
 Christ Herman passed away at Wittenberg.
 Cecilia Mettler and Karl Huenemann of California were united in marriage.
 Emma Martha Dubs, daughter of Henry and Lydia (nee Walz) Dubs died, she reached the age of 32 years.

1941

Freeman, Heilbronn, Clayton, Kassel, Molan
 Magdalena Laber and Lias Smith were married.
 Adolph Grossmann died age 50 years.
 Wallace Dannenbring and Esther Mayer were married.
 Arnet R. Hasz and Irene A Schoppert were married.
 Leo Stark and Olinda Steinhauer were married.
 Sig. Jensen died.
 Christ Walz died 76 years old.
 Ewald W. Aisenbrey and Luella Herrboldt were married.
 Geo. J. Hieb died age 81 years old.
 Eugene G. Kaufman and Eda Pullman were married.
 Aaron W. Koerner and Ruth L. Graber were married.
 John Walz Jr. and Alvina Blume were married.
 John Knodel died age 76 years.
 Julius Jensen died age 76 years.
 Reinhold Mutschelknaus and Esther Kost were married.
 Rueben Goertz and Florence Gering were married.
 Jacob Fode died age 83 years.
 Mrs. Theurer died age 86 years.
 Ernest Stern and Elvera Hafner were married.
 John L. Tschetter and Henrietta Schaefer were married.
 Eldor Schamber and Doris Wipf were married.
 Mrs. John Mehlhaf died age 76 years.
 Mrs. Christ Baer died age 73 years.
 Mrs. Pauline Remmer died age 55 years.
 Theodore Hoellwarth died in Washington.
 Mrs. John Sarutzky died in Menno, formerly of Freeman.
 Mrs. Andrew Mettler died age 77 years.
 Arthur Turnow and Mathilda Huber, daughter of Reinhold Huber, were married.
 Alex Mayer died age 72 years.
 John J. Wipf died age 70 years.
 Art. Hager died age 43 years.
 Erwin Huber and Alice Dubs were married.
 Mrs. Fred Mutschelknaus died age 78 years.
 Mrs. Helena Sayler died.
 Henry Mehrer died.
 Maria Schoppert died age 55 years.
 Geo. Schram died in N. Dak.
 Gust Klaudt and Ida Zeller were married.
 Mrs. Theo. Hoff died age 46 years.
 John E. Spiry died age 44 years.
 Quentin Juhnke and Ella Stucky were married.
 Frederick William Hein died age 73 years.
 Mrs. George Warne died age 70 years.
 Fred Ellwein Jr. died age 31 years.
 Johnny S. Weier died, born July 16, 1902.
 Gordon Anderson and Gladys Dalke were married.
 Christ Bertsch died in N. Dak.
 Edward Nuss died.
 Mrs. C. A. Buehner died.
 George Bauer died in N. Dak., age 87 years.
 John K. Mettler died age 67 years.
 Fred A. Koerner died age 71 years.
 Curt J. C. Grossmann died, Born Aug. 16, 1904.
 John Harsch died age 74 years.
 Henry Erbe died age 87 years.
 Mrs. John D. Mehlhaf died age 39 years.

John Wolfer was killed age 54 years.
John O. Waltner and Catherine Plunkett were married.
Carrie Elma Clark Dare died.
Arnold Larson and Marva Jensen were married.
Andrew Stoebner died age 62 years.
Mike Goehring died age 81 years.
Solomon Wahl died age 42 years.
LeRoy Moderow and Norma Pfeiffer were married.
Mrs. Agnes Hoffman died age 73 years.
Christ Holzwarth died age 31 years.
Wm. H. Borman died Jan. 15, age 57 years.
Oscar Haar and Ella Burkhardt were married.
Mrs. Wilhelmina Steffen died age 92 years.
Erwin Bender and Anna Shetlon were married.
Lyle Christensen and Othella Nustad were married.
Charles Kaufman of Parkston, and Fern Ching were married.
Mrs. Regina Huber Gross (nee Sydel) died, born March 1861.
J. W. Ulmer died April 2, age 72 years.
Sidney Gering and Helen Nielsen were married.
Viola Juhnke and Mr. Hammelman were married.
LeRoy Moderow and Norma Pfeiffer were married.
Dr. J. R. Thierstein died in Newton, Kansas, he was teacher at Freeman College.
Christian Aisenbrey of Menno died Jan. 1, 1941, age 84 years.
Arthur J. Hofer, son of Jno. K. Hofer and Margaret Bogatt were married in November.
The Felix H. Huber family leaves for Arizona on account of his health.
Wm. Weiss of Zap, N. Dak., died, his wife is a daughter of John Dubs Sr. Wm. was 58 years old.

1942

Freeman, Heilbronn, Clayton, Kassel, Molan
Rev. Aaron Kurtz died age 63 years.
Helen Hieb and Stephen Turner were married.
Eugene Ulmer and Hilda Schortzman were married.
Andrew J. Mettler and Emma Herrboldt were married.
Mrs. George Ochner died age 82 years.
John Boegler and Hulda Schempp were married.
Jacob Broszhaus died age 65 years.
Mrs. Margareta Bertsch died age 75 years.
Mrs. Bertha Roth (nee Weber) died age 25 years.
John C. Walz died age 72 years.
John Dubs died age 87 years.
C. J. Brown died.
Mrs. Katie Bertsch died age 73 years.
George Neiswag and Ella Tschetter were married.
Luther Litkens died age 21 years.
Mrs. Regina Ellwein died age 90 years.
John J. Schortzman died age 65 years.
Karl Praeger and Claudia Ellwein were married.
Ludwig Oswald died age 86 years.
Christoph Guenthner died age 88 years.
Mr. Workman and Viola Knodel were married.
Ludwig Hein died age 82 years.
Mrs. Wm. Kneebs died.
Henry Schoppert died age 65 years.
Emmanuel Kautz died.
Willie Bauer and Mrs. Knittel were married.
Christian Hafner died age 60 years.
Kenneth Nelsen and Kathryn Jensen were married.
Henry Goede died age 76 years.
Mike Hieb died age 80.
Jacob Bertsch died 74 years.

F. C. Carter died.
Mrs. Andrew Bertsch (nee Delzer) died age 90 years.
Mrs. Mike Theurer died age 90 years.
John Maas died.
Melvin Hansen died age 9 years.
Adolph Hintz died at Yale.
John Kunkel Sr. died age 73.
Viola Liukens and Alton Ulmer were married.
Mrs. John Eisenbeis died.
Joseph Elpert died, born Oct. 22, 1875.
Will Kayser died age 61 years.
Mrs. Jake M. Serr died age 75 years.
Edward A. Prochnow and Vivian Tschetter were married.
Gottlieb Preszler died age 72 years.
Mrs. Rosa Lubker died, was killed in an accident.
Mrs. Carl Moeller died age 58 years.
John Wittmayer died age 82 years.
Geo. C. Christopherson and Caroline Mettler were married.
C. C. Vogt died age 75 years.
David Hildebrand died age 78 years.
Mrs. Dave Pankratz died age 48 years.
Milo Preheim and Dorothy Jensen were married.
Will Kayser died age 61 years.
John Benke and Viola Klein were married.
David A. Pankratz and Mrs. Esther Dalke were married.
Mr. and Mrs. August Kapsch had their 50th Wedding Anniversary.
John Aman died.
Christ Baer died age 66 years.
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Pfeiffer observed their Golden Wedding Anniversary.
William B. Weidenbach died age 62 years.
Mr. and Mrs. Reinhold Knodel celebrated their 52nd Wedding Anniversary.
Fred Heckenlaible died.
Mrs. John Borman (Katie) died age 68 years.
Mrs. John P. Walz's daughter, Martha and Jacob P. Tschetter of Bridgewater, were married July 15th.
Edward and Mrs. Guenther celebrated their Golden Wedding in Bridgewater.
Rev. J. J. Engbrecht and Eva Berg were married in Des Moines, Iowa.
Dr. and Mrs. Otto Schrag adopted a baby girl.

1943

Freeman, Heilbronn, Clayton, Kassel, Molan
Warren Erickson and Gertrude Gruber were married.
Mr. and Mrs. Al. Huber observed their 25th Wedding Anniversary.
Mrs. John Holzwarth died age 71 years.
John J. Koerner killed 65 snakes in his cellar.
Mrs. George Schamber died age 76 years.
A class of five were Confirmed: John Hein, Melvin Stern, LeRoy Gleige, Gertrude Mayer, Ruby Hafner.
Atty. Wm. Metzger died age 42 years.
John Daman died age 79 years.
Raymond Neuharth and Gertie Knittel were married.
William Pankratz died age 45 years.
Walter Roth and Irene Heckenlaible were married.
Mrs. Henry Klasi died 72 years old.
Mayer Rademacher and Miss Adeline Dalke were married.
Leonard Dubs and Irene Ibis were married.
Leonhardt Huether and Winifred Mayer were married.
Albert Pidde died age 61 years.
Mrs. John J. Walter (Marie) died age 74 years.
Milton Groves died age 80 years.
Mrs. Anna Frey died age 64 years.

C. Keiper died age 84 years.
Floyd Auringer died.
Mrs. Christina Miller died age 79 years.
Reuben Bauer and Hilda Eisenbeis were married.
Adam Herrboldt died.
Mrs. Fred Schnabel died.
August Hildebrandt died age 80 years.
Robert William Hofer killed in action, age 25 years.
Mrs. G. F. Zeller died age 60 years.
Mrs. John Leitheiser died age 77 years.
Henry Jaton died.
Oscar Herman and Lillian Walz were married.
Walter Valentine died age 46 years.
Francis Davis and Anita Schamber were married.
Jacob Pankratz Sr. Died.
Bert Huber and Helen Schoppert were married.
Arnold Hafner and Leona Kerkley were married.
Walter Gullickson and Della June Graber were married.
Mrs. Elmer Ellwein died age 78 years.
John Baer died age 86 years.
Sam P. Stahl and Lillian Aman were married.
Joe Eckert died age 63 years.
Fred Bauman died age 73 years.
Gottlieb Knodel died age 87 years.
Elmer Smolinsky and Lilas Wipf were married.
Herbert Weier and Genevieve Anderson were married.
Mary Blair died age 84 years.
Lt. Grant Lipelt and Ann Harko were married.
Mrs. M. Kirschenman died.
Mrs. Augusta Wollman died.
Pvt. Wilbur Clayton O'Neil and Dorothy Pearl Wipf were married.
Erhardt S. Style died.
William Schweitzer and Genevie Dangel were married.
Edwin Aman and Beatrice Mettler were married Feb. 28.
Ed. Deckhof died age 64 years.
Miss Leona Schoppert and Orville Preheim were married.
Mrs. John M. Downer died age 89 years.
Ernest Mutschelknaus and Ann Enders were married March 7.

1944

Freeman, Heilbronn, Clayton, Kassel, Molan
Mr. and Mrs. Fred Pfeiffer celebrated their 40th Wedding Anniversary.
Mrs. Robert Huber died in N. Dak.
Raymond Weber died age 37 years.
Gottlieb Herr died in Tripp age 63 years.
Lt. Edmund Baer and Miss Breimeir were married in N. Dak.
Mr. and Mrs. Carl Marquardt observed their 25th Wedding Anniversary.
Mrs. Jonas H. Huber had a gallstone operation in Yankton.
Mr. and Mrs. Sam Heckenlaible celebrated their Silver Wedding Anniversary.
Clarence Juhnke and Elenora Bracha were married.
Mr. and Mrs. Jake Guenthner of Bridgewater observed their 50th Wedding Anniversary.
Mrs. Roland Haar died.
Mrs. Robert Buchman had a gallstone operation at Mitchell.
Bernice Meilaud and Felix J. Graber were married.
Fred D. Mettler died age 75 years.
Miss Emma Hein died.
Mrs. Carolina Harnisch died age 89 years.
Leslie Dennenbring and Miss Norma Hein were married.
Henry Kilbert died age 73 years.

A class of five were confirmed: Herbert Huber, Ruby Huber, Verna Stroschein, Ramona Ellwein and Deloris Ellwein.
Arnold G. Schultz and Miss Susanna Schamber were married.
Ed. Aman died age 50 years.
Martin Haar and Miss Marian Schempf were married.
Harvey Huber and Verlind Neuharth were married.
Fred Luikens and Esther Sayler were married.
Mrs. Herman Schulz died age 76 years.
Eldor Herman died age 26 years.
Henry Frasch died at Menno.
Corporal Tony Calderson and Sylvia Margaretha Huber were married.
Ronald Hanson and Eldora Huber were married on Aug. 6.
LaVerne Mensch Jr. and Miss Hulda Kirschenman were La Verne Mensch Jr. and Miss Hulda were married.
Mrs. A. Gering died in 1944.
Ed. E. Weidenbach and Lorreta Harkins were married.
Mr. and Mrs. Albert Krueger celebrated their 28th wedding anniversary.
Jacob A. Walz died June 11, age 64 years.
Albert Duesing and Lorna Baer were married.
Arthur Dannenbring and Leola Huber were married.
Mrs. Emilie Schulz, wife of Gustave Schulz, died age 49 years.
Miss Alma Baer and Raymond Mickenfelder were married.
Alma Schnabel and Thomas Harnake were married.
Gerhardt Mayer and Aetha Semmler were married.
Joe Eckert and Mrs. John K. Mettler were married.
Alvin P. Streyle and Miss Laura M. Fuerst were married.
Ray Weber died in Jan., age 37 years.
Mrs. Wm. Knittel died age 72 years.
Carl J. Koerner died.
Gerhardt Ellwein and Dorothy Hartman were married.
Mrs. G. F. Zeller died.
Friedrich D. Mettler died age 75 years.
Rudolph A. Gering died age 65 years.
Shirley Kleinsasser and Mr. J. Fox were married.
Dorothy Schmidt and Earl Short were married.
Gladys Graber in Freeman and Elmer Goering of Kansas were married.
Gilbert Kleinsasser and Carol Koenig were married.
Henry Frasch died.
Henry Wilde died in Sept., age 50 years.
Mrs. Fred Hafner died age 48 years.
Miss Helena Wacker died, age 57 years.
Henry Gilbert died age 73 years.
Arnold G. Schulz and Susanna Schamber were married.
Marie Emma Ahrendt died age 25 years.
Dr. Sherwood died age 78 years.
June Tschetter, daughter of J. J. Tschetter, and Neaph Ebbesen were married July 16.
Mrs. Richard Mutschelknaus (nee Klara Voy died in June.

1945

Freeman, Heilbronn, Kassel, Kleinkassel, Clayton, Molan
Chas. Alderman and Rosi Wipf in Freeman were married.
Wm. Voss and Mabel Josephine Hofer were married.
Roland Zeller and Elsie Chadwick were married.
Mrs. Henry Frank died age 53 years.
Mrs. Christopher Guenthner (nee Haar) died Jan. 25, age 84 years.
Harvey Kleinsasser and Bernice Bailey were married.
Mrs. Harry Zorgdrager died.
Mrs. Sara Krum (nee Engbrecht) died age 23 years.
Ruben Bertsch and Miss Hattie Stoebner were married.

Herbert Koerner and Viola Roth were married.
Hulda Lorraine Oswald and Walter Auch were married.
Emil Larson and Lorraine Schoppert were married.
Anton Aman died age 65 years.
Donna Marie Bergthold and Merle K. Jensen were married.
Mrs. Christ Schmidtgall died age 72 years.
Jake Schmidtgall died age 92 years.
Mrs. Fred D. Mettler died age 72 years.
Alton Haar and Esther Ahrendt were married.
Duane Graber and Josephine Elsie Gross of Viborg were married.
Betty Hofer and Johnny Johnson were married.
Henry Bartling died, born Sept. 25 1876.
Mrs. Leon Heckenlaible (Veronica) died age 17 years.
Alton Dubs and Lucille Wilde were married.
Olaf Paulson Svartien died.
Rudolph Pependick died age 56 years.
Mrs. Carl Juhnke died age 70 years.
Louie Kulivik and Tillie Stahl were married.
Erwin Ocklert and Frieda Luebke were married.
Mrs. Ludwig Schnabel died age 63 years.
Oliver Buehner and Luella Huber were married.
Dolores Kessler and Wayland Dempster were married.
Marie Janke died age 75 years.
Earl Russel Larson died.
Mrs. John Harnisch died age 77 years.
Eugene Rittershaus died age 49 years.
Mrs. Jacob Oswald died.
Walter Auch and Hilda Lorraine Oswald were married.
Anna De Luca and Cpl. Luverne V. Triebwasser were married.
Arthur Fiedler died.
Hugo Mayer died.
Mrs. John Dubs died.
Mrs. Carolina Schnabel (nee Mettler) died age 69 years.
Mrs. Henry Pressler died age 83 years.
Mr. and Mrs. C. Rose celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary.
Mr. and Mrs. Reinhold Hafner celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary.
Mr. and Mrs. Theo. Roth observed their 25th wedding anniversary.
Mrs. Johnny Hofer (nee Lydia Mutschelknaus) died Feb. 12, age 47.

1946

Freeman, Clayton, Heilbronn, Kassel, Kleinkassel, Molan
Kermit E. Graber and Alyce Pfeiffle were married.
Mrs. Mike Wahl died age 86 years.
August Kunkel and Martha Voss were married.
Walter Steinhauer and Emogene Unruh were married.
Mrs. Richard Handel died age 45 years.
Mrs. August Hauck died age 46 years.
Rev. Michael Nuss died age 89 years.
Miss Elnora Juhnke and Benjamin Semmler were married.
Erwin A. Gross and Miss Laura Heckenlaible were married.
Alva Roth and John E. Nelsen were married.
Ed. Whipking died in Marion.
Bennie G. Goehring and Idella Elda Mettler were married.
Lester Richert and Marilyn Taylor were married.
Maynard Juhnke and Nettie Fischer were married.
Marlow Lewis and Esther Marquardt were married.
Edwin Semmler and Thelma Roth were married.
Daniel Walz died age 52 years.
Miss Leonora Spomer and Nelson Lagendyck were married.
Mr. and Mrs. Fred Marquardt observed their 19th wedding anniversary.

Mrs. John Dannenbring died age 75 years.
Mrs. John Pfeiffer died age 53 years.
Clara Walter and Arnett G. Tiede were married.
Glenn Christensen and Miss Luella Schmeichel were married.
Miss Pearl De Jong and Kenneth Schultz were married.
La Verne Decker and Erna Neuhardt were married.
Miss Ruth Schmeichel and Edgar Rose were married.
Jake Eisenbeis died age 65 years.
Violet Hafner and John Lantz were married.
Reiny Gimbel and Elenora Walz were married.
Miss Ramona Ellwein died age 16 years.
Wilmer Koerner and Leona K. Streyle were married.
Juel Fastrup died, born April 1, 1884.
Philip Mensch died age 80 years.
Ruth Helen Bauerle died age 25 years.
Esther Buchanan and Edgar Schamber were married.
Harold W. Huber and Elma Werning were married.
Ed Mettler died at Wessington, age 55 years.
Friedrich Haar died age 89 years.
Clyde Dannenbring and Miss Agnes Schoppert were married.
Walter L. Stucker and Frieda Schneider were married.
Philip Schoppert died age 56 years.
Max Schamber and Miss Kathryn Stahl were married.
Wilbur Kielbauch and Mary Walter were married.
Dr. Oscar O. Mosby died, born Feb. 8, 1905 in Molan.
Henry Schmeichel and Frieda Schaefer were married.
Mrs. Frieda Jensen died.
Jean Kleinsasser and Earl Inger were married.
Orville Knudson and Deloris Jensen were married.
Mrs. Elizabeth Bush (nee Kautz) and Wilbur P. Foss were married.
Merril Ulmer and Nina O. Neal were married.
Elizabeth Fern Hofer and Raymond L. Ohlson were married.
Mrs. Gottlieb Oswald died.
Wallace W. Wipf and Cleo June Schrag were married.
Arthur P. Anderson died age 60 years.
Mrs. Ray Weber and Ed. Klaudt of Menno were married.
Emil Cook died in Marion, age 51.
Helena Mettler and Wm. Handel were married.
Eunice Fauth and Emanuel Guenther were married.
Clifford Gross and Patricia Weisser were married.
Mary Lou Heer and John Stahl were married.
Agnes Schweitzer and Raymond Dangel were married.
Mrs. Jake A. Walz died March 12.
Kenneth Thompson and Esther Ortman were married.
C. J. Janzen died at Parkston.
Harm Groenhoff and Miss Belva Waldner were married.
John William Kramer died.
Harry Hanssen and Miss Ruth Tschetter were married.
Wm. Green and Miss Alvina Tieszen were married.
LaVern Mettler and Patricia Hasik were married Feb. 24.

1947

Freeman, Clayton, Heilbronn, Kassel, Molan
Raymond E. Mehlhaff and Maggie Pollman were married.
Florine Kaufman and Louis Kleinsasser were married.
Ione Wall and Alvin Techlenburg were married.
Marie Magdalene Kietzman died age 82 years.
Vernon Hoffman and Hilda Jundt were married.
Dr. Harold H. Gross and Miss Monica Irene Dirks were married.
Wm. H. Bendusch died age 61 years.
John Mehlhaff Sr. died age 80 years.
A. J. Aisenbrey died age 55 years.

Don Perry and Lucille Andersen were married.
 Edmund Rose and Emma Guericke were married.
 Mr. A. T. Kaufman died age 54 years.
 Dale J. Clark and Virginia Constance Christensen were married.
 Edward Schnaidt and Esther Schuldt were married.
 Erhardt C. Schempp and Arvilla Aman were married.
 Norman Spomer and Bernice Volkert were married.
 Robert Oswald and Annie Kleinsasser were married.
 Rev. Ed. Dewald died age 68 years.
 Wm. Ahrendt Sr. died age 68 years.
 August Liepelt died age 81 years.
 Leo Siek and Miss Ruth Pfeiffer were married.
 Theodore Kessler and Lavone Wilde were married.
 Emil Roth and Deloris Zeller were married.
 Mrs. J. J. Fleming was killed age 37 years.
 Fred Bittner died age 74 years.
 Arnold Ensz and Virginia Wipf were married.
 Walter Spoomer and Miss Alvira Ramboldt were married.
 Reinhold P. Olson and Mable C. Pederson were married.
 Laverne Wagner and Phoebe Walter were married.
 Jake Walter and Belva Wagner were married.
 Henry H. Huber died age 41 years, born 1906.
 Dr. E. F. Tieszen and Mrs. Emma Aman were married.
 Herbert Vetter and Arlene Raderwing were married.
 Albert Denke and Miss Olga Langly were married.
 Jacob Luikins and Esther Bertsch were married.
 Mrs. John Neuman died age 68 years.
 Mrs. Magdalene Mettler died age 80 years.
 Clifford Planteen and Bernice Mettler were married.
 Levi Wilde and Miss Lois Zuberbier were married.
 Alfred Nuss and Miss Frieda Nuss were married.
 Peter G. Wipf died in Oregon, age 61 years.
 David Hasz died age 64 years.
 Ernest Hertz and Eleanor Mehlhaff were married.
 Glen Radel and Deloris Mogck were married.
 Robert Knodel and Betty Braspr will be married.
 Ernest O. Guericke Jr. died age 17 years.
 William E. Guericke died age 19 years. Car accident.
 Bernice Baer and Arnold Pfeiffer will be married on Dec. 22.
 Ruben Schmidt and Eileen Stroschein were married.
 Julius Jaton died.
 Wm. G. Huber died age 41 years.
 Norman Osthuis and Lorraine Hanson were married.
 Elmer Barth died.
 Willard Schram and Jeanette Dangel were married.
 John K. Hofer Jr. and Sonja Lipski were married in Calif.
 Elmer Schamber and Lorraine Roth were married.
 Wilma Knittel and Vernon Liebl were married.
 Sally Ann Meyer and Albert Hofer were married.
 Mrs. John Schuldt died age 45 years.
 Mrs. Lena Delzer died age 63 years.
 Raymond Kost and Leona Ulmer were married.
 Alma Walz and Leonard Bomick were married.
 Mrs. Geo. Knittel died age 74 years.
 Mrs. Joe Bahrer died age 93 years in Hazen, N. Dak.
 Joe P. Pollman and Maggie Schmeichel in Beadle were married.
 Mrs. Katharina Mettler died age 87 years.
 Andrew Krueger Sr. died.
 Harm Frey and Miss Leone Triebwasser were married.
 Julius Bauer died at Blue Grass N. Dak.
 Mrs. Conrad Guericke died age 82 years.
 James C. Heiser and Miss Paula Schmidtgall were married.
 Deloris Hofer and Oscar Sayler were married.
 Leona Koerner died age 30 years.

Loren Janssen and Luella Fauth were married.
 Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Handel observed their golden wedding anniversary.
 Mrs. Geo. Kuhlman died age 70 years.
 Julius Jaton died.
 Vernon Liebl and Wilma Knittel were married.

1948
Freeman, Heilbronn, Clayton, Kassel, Molan
 Leo Scott and Irene Tschetter were married.
 Mrs. Wilhelmina Eisenbeis died age 63 years.
 John Sprecher and Miss Susie Gross were married.
 Henry Janke died age 65 years.
 Barnhart Frasch died in Montana.
 M. O. Olander died age 48 years.
 Marvin Roth and Hilda Pietz were married.
 Herbert Koerner died age 42 years. Found dead.
 Jens T. Jensen died.
 Richard Hanneman died age 65 years.
 Mrs. Emil Roduner died in Tripp, age 47 years.
 Ed Guenthner died in Bridgewater age 79 years.
 Pfc. Hayse and Mary Tschetter of Bridgewater were married.
 Elmer Streyle and Hulda Ziegler were married.
 Carl Hoefs died age 75 years.
 Praven Paul Christensen died age 57 years.
 Elmer E. Neuharth and Alice Knittel were married.
 Mrs. Henry Frasch died.
 Reinhold Sydel died in Menno.
 Milton Mehlhaff and Jean Waltner were married.
 Wilbur Hopf and Elizabeth Miller were married.
 Henry Barron and Lulu Groves were married.
 Jacob Koerner died, born Jan. 16, 1882.
 Carl Kunkel died age 81 years.
 Henry Rademacher died age 58 years.
 Oscar Pfeiffle and Kathleen Tschetter were married.
 Clifford Wentzel and Esther Unruh were married.
 Waldemar Zirpel and Lillian Moege were married.
 Clifford Merk and Ardys Pankratz were married.
 Mrs. Otto Hellwig died age 86 years.
 Floyd Mutschelknaus and Irma Reiman were married June 28.
 Emil Wiestenhagel died age 63 years.
 Marvin R. Juhnke and May Senner were married.
 Friedrich Harnisch and Dorothy Aisenbrey were married.
 Henry Schorzman died age 72 years.
 Marvin A. Schaeffer and Lela Mae Kleinsasser were married.
 Donald J. Hasek and Donna Jean Hofer were married.
 James Billian and Lucyle Gross were married.
 Jerome Christensen and Idella Delzer were married.
 Arthur Werning and Hilda Huber were married.
 Theodore Koerner and Ida Walter were married.
 Peter Pfeiffle died age 93 years.
 Leon Jorgensen and Cleo Kaufman were married.
 Miss Cecelia Fode died age 46 years.
 Mrs. John Wiedmeier (nee Schenk) died age 83 years.
 Floyd Fliginger and Alice Pankratz were married.
 Joseph Jorgensen died age 60 years.
 William Carl Rose died age 50 years.
 Rheiny C. Hofman and Violet Viola Zimmerman were married.
 Juel Prestegaard and Bernice Gruber were married.
 Vernon Janssen and Jean Juecht were married.
 Jacob Guenthner died age 74 years.
 Mrs. Christ Hafner died.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Heckenlaible celebrated their 15 anniversary.
Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Streyle's 5 month old baby died.
Mr. and Mrs. Otto J. Hafner celebrated their silver wedding anniversary.
Geo. M. Janzen and Esther Auch were married.
Jacob Kost died age 88 years.
George Edward Knittel died age 50 years.
Mrs. Harold King (nee Ruth Knittel) died age 31 years.
Carl Juhnke died age 81 years.
Elroy Huber and Lois Sayler were married.
Calvin Kleinsasser and Irene Spomer were married Aug. 22.
Samuel J. Decker died age 78 years.
Felix H. Huber died age 57 years.
William Carl Rose died age 50 years.
Kurt A. Wipf and Mary Jane Fergeson were married.
Leo D. Hansen and Geraldine Roesler were married.
Marvin Goertz and Fay Wipf were married.
Dr. Henry J. Kaufman (dentist) died in California.
Robert W. Hofer, son of Dr. M. M. Hofer died in service.
Jacob M. Huber died age 59 years.
Paul Kleinsasser and Lucille Graber were married.
Irvin Kaufman and Martha Brother were married.
Alice Smith and Kenyon Caldwell were married.
Ray R. Waltner and Marjorie Davis were married.
Douglas Ray Unruh died of Polio, age 1 year.
John S. Wollmann and Mildred Graber were married.
Mrs. Fred Haar (nee Dorothy Schmidtgall) died age 90 years.
Sherry Bernu Graber, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Duane Graber of Viborg, died age 11 days.
Arnold Pfeiffer and Bernice Baer were married Dec. 22.
Melvin Graber and Marilyn Martinson were married Oct. 24.
Ruby Huber, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Huber, and Emil Hatterman were married.

1949

Freeman, Clayton, Kassel, Heilbronn, Molan
Jacob J. Guenthner of Bridgewater died age 80 years. He was married to Kate Pfaff in 1894.
Mrs. Margaretha Georgensen (nee Jorstad) died age 67 years. She was married to Mr. Georgensen in 1905.
Wm. Sedlesky died Aug. 5.
Mrs. Jacob C. Heckenlaible died age 88 years.
Andrew Koerner died at Eureka, age 90 years.
Mrs. William Werning died age 43 years.
Mr. and Mrs. David Heckenlaible celebrated their golden wedding anniversary.
Emanuel Gemar died.
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Juhnke celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary.
Mr. and Mrs. Jake Wahl celebrated their 46th wedding anniversary.
The following were confirmed at the St. Paul's Lutheran Church: Darlene Dubs, Harris Haar, Marilyn Huber, Norma Ibis, La Vonne Knittel, Elizabeth Marquardt, Francis R. Schmidt, and Jeanett Walz.
Mrs. John Neuharth died at Alpena, age 69 years.
Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bender observed their 33rd wedding anniversary.
Mrs. Emil Schnaitt died in Menno, age 72 years.
Christian Bertsch died age 67 years.
Melvin Herrboldt and Esther Wollman were married.
Mr. Ulmer and Gertrude Mayer were married.
Julius Koerner and Mildred Pfeiffer were married.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Heckenlaible celebrated their 30 wedding anniversary.
Martin Klawitter and Leona Bartell were married.
Elmer Wollman and Elaine Werning were married.
Mr. and Mrs. Jake A. Koerner observed their 45th wedding anniversary.
Fred Brucklacher died in the Home for the Aged in Sioux Falls, age 81 years. He was married to Emma Eggart in 1904.
Mike Schoppert died age 74 years.
Mr. Philip Walz died age 65 years. Died in Menno.
John M. Wollman died age 59 years.
John Bertsch died age 63 years.
Mrs. H. F. Harnisch died age 64 years.
Jacob J. Pollman died in Freeman, age 69 years.
Erwin Graber and Dixie Rae Hedges were married.
Joe Bauer died age 70 years.
Gilbert Maas and Velda Aman were married.
Wayne Dalke and Miss Joan Waltner were married.
Emil Koerner died age 45 years.
Reno Mettler and Bernice Knodel were married.
Jacob Mettler died in Hazen, N. Dak., age 78 years.
E. H. Weidenbach died age 47 years.
Mrs. Emelia J. J. Schorzman (nee Bertsch) died age 71 years.
Carl Buehner and Jemme Knittel were married.
Burdette Engeman and Ruth Pollman, daughter of Jacob Pollman, were married.
Lydia Mettler died age 49 years.
Mildred Hansen and Kencil Onstott were married.
Hildebert Walz and Emma Kost were married.
Hans G. Mosby died, born June 12, 1873. He was married to Miss Akland in 1899.
Mrs. Kathryn Schumacher died age 52 years.
James Jackson and Johanna Krueger were married.
A. A. Bertsch died age 69 years.
Henry Hafner died age 69 years.
John Leischner and Miss Betty Radel were married.
Mrs. Gerhard Ellwein (nee Dorothy Hartman) died age 33 years.
Harry Lee Schmidt and Joyce Wipf of Menno were married.
Adam A. Nuss died age 74 years. He was married to Katie Hauck.
Wm. Oschner died age 54 years.
Mrs. Bessie Bagby died. She was a sister to Mrs. Jake T. Gross.
Edward R. Ries and Amelia Dorothy Capshaw were married.
Maria Werning died age 43 years.
Elmer Pfeiffer, son of B. F. Pfeiffer, died age 30 years in Calif. His body was shipped home for burial.
Ernest J. Fischer and Ruth Schultz were married.
Mrs. Dora W. Taylor died age 90 years.
Mrs. Dave A. Wipf (nee Janke) died age 48 years.
John Kleinsasser died unexpectedly, age 60 years.
Adolph Roth and Laverna Huber were married.
Jacob Edelman died age 87 years.
Mrs. Alice Mabel Hansen died age 65 years.
Christ Holzwarth died age 69 years.
Rockford H. Borman died age 38 years.
Marvin G. Schamber and Norma Jean Kepplinger were married.
Harley O. Schaefer and Jean Carol Gross were married.
John Aman died age 66 years.
Reuben Heckenlaible and Linda Streyle were married.
August Kapsch died age 82 years.

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Freeman, Heilbronn, Clayton, Molan

Mabel Adcock and Emil Roduner were married.
Floyd Henry Zanter died age 19 years.
Eldon Dannenbring died age 26 years.
Jacob W. Tschetter died age 78 years.
Mrs. Rebecca Hofer (nee Dekker) died, born July 24, 1858.
Dr. Walter A. Maier died, born 1893. He was a radio minister.
Miss Anna Vetter died age 62 years, Clayton.
Rev. August Pera has accepted the pastorate of the Heilbronn Lutheran Church.
Lester Erwin Kieper died age 33 years.
Fire destroyed Rev. P. P. Kleinsasser's barn. The loss is estimated at over \$15,000.
Henry Kapsch died age 69 years.
Mrs. Augusta Radel died, born Feb. 8, 1872.
Mrs. Theo. Groves (nee Nelson) died age 76 years.
Mr. and Mrs. John Bauder celebrated their golden wedding anniversary.
Keith Ellwein and Jean Thompson will be married.
John W. Tschetter died age 81 years.
Miss Judith Akland died.
Wilfred Schemp and Lorraine Berndt were married.
Mrs. Mary Salvina (nee Fiedler) died age 50 years.
Mrs. Tom Smidt died age 81 years.
Walter H. Huber was killed in a car accident, age 34 years.
Mrs. Gertrude Marie Smith died age 71 years.
Mrs. C. Baer (nee Dewald) died age 74 years.
Herman A. Schulz died age 89 years.
Archie Klaudt and Miss Eileen Langle were married.
Clarence Haase and Lorraine Keller were married.
Mrs. May S. Hofer (nee Wollman) died age 44 years.
Edwin Schamber and June Mundt were married.
Mrs. Andrew Wek died.
Mrs. Andrew G. Gross died at Yankton, age 81 years.
Mrs. Marie Walter died age 75 years.
Mrs. Elizabeth Walter died age 70 years.
Wilbur E. Holte and Miss Nona Ellwein were married.
Mrs. Josephine Tschetter died at Ashley N. Dak.
Mrs. Sarah Gross (nee Hofer) died age 81 years.
Mrs. Ed Carter died age 50 years.
Mr. and Mrs. Joseph L. Wipf observed their golden wedding anniversary.
Orville Wipf and Laureen Hofer were married.
Carl C. Heckenlaible died age 59 years.
Le Roy Hofer and Sarah Mendel were married.
Harris Hofer and Wyone Elizabeth Holzwarth were married.
Fred J. Koerner died at Alpena, age 79 years.
Mrs. Edmund Weidenbach died age 44 years.
Theodore Pidde and Delores Walz were married.
Ferd Schoppert died age 66 years.
Andrew Koerner died age 54 years.
Fred Schramm and Lydia Kost were married.
Mr. and Mrs. George Goosen celebrated their silver wedding anniversary.
Samuel Tschetter and Norma Jean Lewis, daughter of W. H. Lipper of Mitchell, were married.
Peter Decker and Evelyn Waldner were married.
Moses Glanzer and Reva Leder were married.
Robert Schoppert and Ella Kuhlman were married.
George D. Gross died at Bridgewater, age 64 years.
Dr. M. M. Hofer died age 70 years.
Jacob L. Hofer Sr. died age 79 years.
Jake Knelz died in Montana, age 49 years.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kleinsasser observed their silver wedding anniversary.
Gustav Schultz died age 59 years, born June 12, 1891.
Mrs. Christina Dewald (nee Kayser) died age 86 years.
Lloyd Satter and Nora Evelyn Keller were married.
Edwin W. Morgan and Elizabeth Joyce Smidt were married.
Marie Glanzer (nee Hofer) died age 84 years.
La Vern Brucklacher and Miss Bernice Delzer were married.
Joseph J. Walter died age 76 years.
Gottlieb Schmeichel died, born Feb. 22, 1894.
Paul Groves died age 57 years.
Amos R. Kleinsasser and Miss Agnes Walter were married.
Mr. and Mrs. Abe Kautz observed their 44th wedding anniversary.
Walter Oldewurtel died age 48 years as the result of a car accident in California.
Mrs. D. M. Kost died age 90 years.
Melvin Kirschenman and Marilyn Walz were married.
Gottlieb Schmeichel died, born 1894.
Marvin Ulmer and Betty Stern were married.
Mr. and Mrs. Richard Stern celebrated their 11th wedding anniversary.
Joseph Bauer died in N. Dak., age 83 years.
Delmer R. Bezug and Miss Deloris Violet Ellwein were married.
Miss Velda Huether and Gideon Holzwarth were married.
Mr. and Mrs. Richard L. Waltner celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary.
Paul Steinhauer and Miss Bertha Schamber were married.
Mr. and Mrs. Reinhold Juhnke celebrated their golden wedding anniversary.
Melton E. Langle and Miss Lorna Dubs were married.
Mr. and Mrs. Albert Delzer celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary.
Mrs. Henry Schmidt died in Menno, age 77 years.
Jacob D. Mettler died age 85 years.
John Edelman died age 81 years.
John A. Voran died age 74 years.
Peter Lehr died at Alpena.
Mrs. Wm. Pfeiffer died in Dec.
Leon Edelman and Miss Johnson were married.
Gerhard Ellwein and Edna Anderson were married.
Alton Schaefer and Harriet Haar were married.
Naomi Trieber and Harvey Middlestead were married.

1951

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John Kuhlman died age 92 years.
Andrew A. Wollman died age 82 years.
Christ J. Freeman and Miss Elizabeth Hofer were married.
Mr. and Mrs. Adam Stroschein observed their silver wedding anniversary.
Pvt. Leo Schemp and Adeline E. Roesler were married.
Carlyle Groves and Esther Arlene Bohn were married.
Chris William Goettertz died, born Nov. 14, 1895.
Donald J. Spomer and Beverly Christensen were married.
Mrs. August Spomer died age 69 years.
Mrs. William T. Warne died age 70 years. She is a sister to Joe J. Hofer.
Mrs. Maria Bartling died age 82 years.
Mrs. Susie Hofer died age 65 years.
John Tschetter died age 68 years.
Rev. John Tschetter died age 90 years.
Rev. and Mrs. Joseph W. Tschetter of Chicago observed their golden wedding anniversary.

Donald Christensen and Maxine Stern were married.
Mrs. Dave J. Kleinsasser died age 60 years.
Joe A. Wollman died age 61 years.
Leroy Schrag and Alice Aman were married June 10.
Loren L. Stucky, son of Mr. Henry Stucky, was killed in a car accident on Sept. 1 at the age 23 years.

1952

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George Knittel died age 88 years.
Clarence P. Gross and Laura Krueger were married.
Mrs. Lydia Bertsch (nee Delzer) died age 68 years.
Emil Wiedmeier died age 50 years.
Donald Baer and Rita Marie Schmidt were married.
Rev. C. D. Eifert died age 53 years. Funeral and burial was at Freeman.
Mrs. Lydia Oldewurtel died age 72 years.
August Schnabel died age 68 years.
Mr. and Mrs. Christ Miller had their 60th wedding anniversary.
Frank Bern Wood died age 73 years.
Mrs. Anna Hofer (nee Waldner) died age 84 years.
Mrs. John E. Wipf (nee Gross) died age 62 years.
Mrs. H. C. Neufeld died age 55 years.
Ruth Guenther died in California.
Conrad Enders died age 75 years.
Eldon R. Mueller and Lorine Streyle were married.
Mr. and Mrs. Dave Ellwein observed their golden wedding anniversary.
Alton Nuss and Frieda Roth were married.
Johnnie Becker and Pauline Hofer were married.
Mrs. Jacob Oswald died age 72 years.
Mrs. Emil Yobel died age 65 years.
Pastor H. V. Huber and Hilda Ralke were married.
Leonard Hofer and Correne Petrien Christensen were married at Beadle.
Mrs. Frieda Charlotte Elizabeth Ahrendt (nee Werning) died age 84 years.
Mr. and Mrs. Christ Roduner observed their 60th wedding anniversary.
Fred H. Huber built a new house and now moved in.
B. F. Pfeiffer died age 75 years.
Dave Ellwein died Dec. 21, age 73 years.
Mrs. John K. Hofer Jr. (Sonja) died in Calif. on Oct. 15 at the age of 29 years.
Fred G. Huber died, born 1910.
Le Roy Mutschelknaus and Rosi Masser were married April 20.
Emil Mutschelknaus and Ava Shedby were married March 16.

1953

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Mrs. Gottlieb Schnabel died age 63 years.
Mrs. Christ Roduner died age 82 years.
Ben Haar died age 79 years.
Minnehart Schlafman and Emma Mayer were married.
Henry C. Gering (Freeman Jeweler) died age 70 years.
Dennis Glanzer and Marilyn Gross were married, Beadle.
Raymond Hofer and Rosina Ortiz were married.
Louis Young and Wilma Rose were married.
Mrs. Betty Kleinsasser died age 50 years.
Paul G. Brill and Geraldine Harnisch were married.
Mrs. Katharina Koerner (nee Maas) died age 68 years.
Peter J. Hofer, Tripp, died age 81 years.
Pvt. Victor Russel and Esther Haar were married.

Henry Schaeffer and Elda Elizabeth Streyle were married.
Alvin Brucklacher and Lenore Nelson were married.
Edward Bray died age 80 years, Yankton.
Fred Aman died, born Feb. 2, 1887.
Mrs. Henry Schoppert died age 69 years.
Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Koster observed their 25th wedding anniversary.
Wilson Glanzer and Norma Waldner were married, Beadle.
Mrs. Paul Neisenholder died age 43 years.
Mrs. A. A. Nuss died age 76 years.
Mrs. Benj. Faith died age 28 years.
Jacob J. Kleinsasser died age 46 years.
Mrs. Richard Haeder Sr. died age 64, Wolsey.
Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schemp observed their golden wedding anniversary.
Paul L. Massey and Sally Kleinsasser were married.
Mrs. Annie Tschetter (nee Hofer) died, born July 31, 1898.
Coleen Kay Corkill died age 2 years and 8 months.
C. P. Dickman died April 7, age 91 years.

1954

Heilbronn, Clayton, Freeman, Molan

Mrs. E. A. Holland died age 72 years.
Mr. and Mrs. George Schamber celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.
Mr. Oetting died in Dec.
Pvt. Ronald Dibbut and Lorraine Hofer were married.
Cpl. Obed Hofer and Martha Easik were married.
Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Schaefer celebrated their 45th wedding anniversary at Marion.
Mrs. Carrie Sophina Frederika Jensen died age 84 years.
Erwin Richard (Fisher Bill) died age 92 years.
Reinhold Dewald died age 73 years.
Curtis Harold Huber died age 6 months.
Mrs. Ferdinand Schultz died age 50 years.
Oscar A. Sayler was killed in a tractor accident age 29 years.
Mrs. Christina Heckenlaible died age 75 years.
Dan Mehner died age 65 years.
Henry Junck died age 77 years.
David Wagner died.
Donald Kost and Jo An Weiss, Parkston, were married.
Mrs. Barbara Ulmer died age 87 years.
Irwin Richards died age 77 years.
Theo. Roth, Parkston, died age 67 years.
7 year old Henry Krueger was found dead in a ditch at Sioux Falls.
Duane Liepelt and Ameliese Roegen were married.
John Juecht died age 74 years.
Narber Schneider and Maurine Roth were married.
Herbert Radel died age 42 years.
Holger Olesen, Turkey Ridge, died age 62 years.
Dr. Leroy Vernon Kaufman died, born July 30, 1916.
Fred H. Mutschelknaus died, born Dec. 14, 1915.
Gerald Arthur Sieman and Mary Magdalene Szegedini were married.
William Lee Morfeld and Roberta Grace Bell were married.
Mrs. D. Leitholdt died age 68 years.
James H. Waltner died, born April 21, 1930.
Ben Bessel died, born March 8, 1902.
Rev. John J. Engbrecht died age 71 years.
Mrs. Fredericke Kautz (nee Jeeb) died age 68 years.
Leslie L. Tieszen and Mary Koeneckamp were married.
Le Ray Widmer and Corinne Koerner were married.
Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel Bertsch observed their 40th wedding anniversary.

Kenneth W. Gullickson and May Belle Johnson were married.

E. A. Guenther died age 71 years.

Richard L. Waltner and Bonnie Fay Leisy were married.

Willis Wipf and Joyce Miller were married.

Calvin Marquardt and Bernadina Stern were married.

Le Roy T. Bender and Elnora Juhnke were married.

H. Phil Gross and Joan Vaughn were married.

Derall Walter and La Vonne Juhnke were married.

C. W. Jorgensen died, born Aug. 16, 1898.

Edward J. Stoebner, Tripp, died age 57 years.

Mrs. Carl Schmeichel died age 68 years.

Mrs. Katie Knodel died age 73 years.

Emil Aman died age 55 years.

Mrs. Math Laber died age 67 years.

John Auch died age 70 years.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Walz celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Rosa celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Ruben Bockman observed their 25th wedding anniversary.

Peter Wahl died age 74 years.

Mrs. Daniel Haupt died.

Adolph Schelske and Agnes Walz were married.

Avernett Andree was killed age 17 years, Molan.

Lars Chrisian Larsen died age 74 years.

Mrs. Amelia Rittershaus died age 63 years.

Loren Borsz and Elva Kost were married.

The Bethany anniversary celebration was June 5.

Mrs. John Eckert died age 64 years.

Dr. Jacob Wipf died, born April 27, 1885.

Paul Nick Tschetter and Eve Lynn Koerner were married.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Juhuke celebrated their silver wedding anniversary.

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Le Roy Walter, son of John F. Walter, and Jo Ann Koerner were married.

Miss Lelia Ellwein and Alvin Becker were married March 4.

Melvin C. Neuharth and Betty Langle were married.

Lester Weiland, brother to Kenny Weiland, was killed.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Ellwein observed their 60th wedding anniversary.

Hans Gottsche died age 81 years.

Marvin Tellinghuisen and Doreen Wahl were married.

Henry Junior Engbrecht and Nita Huber were married.

Alan Ries and Sarah Fensel were married.

Harold Brucklacher and June Breeman were married.

Martin Bertsch and Arlene Kuhlman were married.

Jonas H. Huber died Feb. 4 age 71 years.

C. O. Holland died age 90 years.

Mex Heinson and Vernet Vee Cox were married.

Wayne W. Decker and Bernice Gladys Schnabel were married.

Mrs. Jonas H. Huber (nee Carolina Mettler) died March 20 age 67 years.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Knittel observed their 25th wedding anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Christensen observed their 25th wedding anniversary.

Edward J. Walz died.

Mrs. Anna Maria Ulmer (nee Huber) died age 84 years.

Darrel Siebert and Elenor Wipf were married.

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold L. Juhnke observed their 25th wedding anniversary.

Harold Jensen and Mrs. Darleen Sayler were married.

Arden Wipf, (Beadle) died age 33 years. Mission field in Africa.

Mrs. Louisa Triebwasser died age 84 years.

Mrs. Elizabeth Mehlhaff died age 85 years.

Allen Stucky and Norma Ibis were married May 13.

Mrs. Henry Brodland died age 53 years.

Glendon Dubs and Sylvia Ardella Wipf were married.

Dr. Harry Smidt and Latishia Ann Ridge were married.

Anton Vogland died age 77 years.

Reinhold Mutschelknaus Jr. and Frances Licher were married.

John A. Mayer died age 83 years, Calif.

Howard Graber and Neva Janet Wipf were married.

Albert Maas died age 67 years.

Mrs. John D. Mettler died age 95 years.

Clinton Bauer and Darlene Koerner were married.

Mrs. Opal Margarete Haar (Mrs. Gilbert Haar) died age 42 years.

Melvin Koster and Dianne Miller were married.

Edwin Schmeichel and Barbara Jean Hansen were married.

Glen Miller died age 32 years.

Duane Bork and Audrey Wek were married.

Mrs. Fred Jundt died Sept. 12, age 81 years.

Dr. Richard Feiok died at Tripp, age 67 years.

Leo Berg and Marilyn Spomer were married.

Mrs. O. Wessel died age 63 years. Mother of Mrs. Corkill.

Vaughn Bishop and Elaine Lipelt were married.

William Schmidt and Carol Tschetter were married.

Knud B. Solberg and Edna Ahrendt were married.

Mr. Lamb, 67, and Mr. Witmeyer 90, of Avon were killed east of Menno.

Ione Mehlhaff, daughter of Wm. Mehlhaff, and Kenneth Haas were married.

Mrs. Milton Handel died age 25 years.

1955

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John G. Huber died age 78 years.

Matthew Birgen and Maureen Dangel were married.

Arnold Friedrich and Florint Huber were married.

Mrs. Ida Bartling died, born July 4, 1893.

Rev. Ole M. Oland died, born May 15, 1889, Molan.

Mrs. John Aman died age 70 years.

David Heckenlaible died age 81 years.

Mrs. Lucille Lola Ellwein died, born April 7, 1928.

Eldor L. Dubs and Vergene Stern were married Aug. 28.

Mrs. Michael Ibis died age 86 years.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Morfeld celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary.

George Bertus died age 69 years.

Mr. and Mrs. George Rademacher celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary.

Valentine Keiper died.

Willard G. Moege and Florence Reickert were married.

Dan Hanskutt and Gladys Schmeichel were married.

Donald Wuertzer and Dolores Jucht were married.

Reinhold Juluke died age 84 years.

L. David Walters and Norma Heirigs were married.

Mrs. Christina Mehlhaff died age 89 years.

Leland Odell Schamp and Dorothy Marie Juhuke were married.

Clifford Knodel and Verna Costar were married.
Walter F. Walz and Arlene Neuhardt were married.
Henry Schmitt died age 82 years. Father of Mrs. Arnold Dewald.
Mrs. Milton Handel (nee Elda Rolaf) died age 25 years.
Albert T. Gullickson died age 75 years.
Dorothea Mayer died age 80 years.
Pastor Martin Bauer died age 56 years. Pastor of Lutheran Church in Menno.
Mrs. Jake T. Gross died Dec. 20, age 72 years.
Peter P. Miller died age 60 years.

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Mrs. Jacob Will died age 89 years.
Roland H. Preszler and Alma Guericke were married.
Mrs. Rev. Doege died age 78 years.
Mr. and Mrs. Gottlieb Haar celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary.
Mrs. A. Eilmes, a sister of Ferd, Henry, John, and Jake Streyle, died age 60 years.
Mrs. John Fode, Burke, S. Dak., died age 76 years.
Jacob Ellwein died age 80 years.
Rev. Russel D. Piper died.
Mr. and Mrs. Julius Juhnke celebrated their 56th wedding anniversary.
Mr. and Mrs. Paul Fink celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary.
Vernon Wipf bought the Mrs. Bern Schwartz house.
Miss Marian G. Huber is now in Heidelberg, Germany.
Albert Roesler had a sale and moves to Freeman.
Rev. G. Hildebrandt assumed his position as pastor of the Clayton Lutheran Church in Jan.
Mr. and Mrs. John Tiede were surprised on their 41st wedding anniversary.
Mrs. Peder Jorstad (nee Othine Braaten) passed away at Freeman, age 92 years.
Rev. and Mrs. Lester Hostetler left for their home near Sugar Creek, Ohio, after serving the Bethany Church for the past five years.
Jerome Art Dangel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dangel, and Miss Loretta Hiller were married.
Miss Darlene Gross, daughter of Jake S. Gross, and Archie Islander were married.
Mrs. Al. Hoff received the news of the death of her father E. H. Weidenbach of Oregon; age 57 years. He was in the undertaking business here formerly.
Emil Mutschelknaus died age 70 years.
Mary Glanzer, daughter of Dave J. Glanzer, and Harvey Kittelson were married.
Miss Erna Mettler and Robert C. Tueting of Cincinnati were married.
The 6 month old baby of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Preheim Jr. died. She was named Dawn Renee.
Jane Wollman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Wollman, and Robert L. Walter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie M. Walter, were married.
St. Paul's Lutheran Church celebrated its 75th anniversary. The speakers were Rev. Paul H. Brill and Rev. Norman Spomer.
Mrs. Fred A. Mettler died age 64 years.
Miss Helen Lagge of Tripp and Mr. Glendon Tiede, son of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Tiede of Freeman, were married.
Miss Shirley Streyle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ferd Streyle, became the bride of Laverne Vehle of Sioux Falls.

Miss Erna Bertsch of Freeman and Kenneth Schoon of Parkston were married.
Miss Kathleen Emy Martin and John W. Gross, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gross, were married.
C. F. Wollman of Menno is the new manager of the Freeman Lumber Yard.
Funeral services for Linda Kay Stern, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Stern, were conducted at the Lutheran Church.
Mrs. Jennie K. Elpert of Dolton passed away.
Miss Clarice Schmidt and Wallace Haar were united in marriage.
Miss Leona Roth, daughter of Mrs. Geo. Roth in Freeman, died Jan. 11, age 37 years.
Mr. and Mrs. Fred Schneider's son, Kurt, and Miss Dorothy Winzant were married.
Dr. Epp has joined the Freeman Hospital staff.
Dr. Ernest Hofer is observing 25 years of medical service to the Freeman community.
Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Berg celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.
La Verne Jay Faatz, 1½ year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Faatz, was run over by a car at the Trailer Court at Pierre, S. Dak. He is a grandson of John Burke.
Ed. Helwig died at Menno, age 68 years.
Winfred Haar and Miss Elizabeth Hoffman of Mora, Minn. were married in August.
Carl Wahl died age 84 years.
Rev. N. F. Seebach from Lakefield, Minn., assumed his position as pastor of the St. Paul Lutheran Church on Sunday, April 7.
Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Anderson celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. They were married June 29, 1906. The sad news came from Brookings that Dr. John W. Headley age 56 years, President of S. D. State College, was killed in a hunting accident.
Funeral services for Ferdinand Schultz, son of Christian and Ernestene Weis Schultz, were held at St. Paul's Church. He died at the age of 68 years.
Mr. and Mrs. Odin Johnson of Olivet celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.
Funeral services for Mrs. John Hertzman were held at Emery.
Chris Neuhardt passed away at Rupert, Idaho. He was born at Menno April 11, 1880.
Emil Mettler, born near Menno, S. Dak. on July 19, 1888, passed away at Lodi, Calif. at the age of 69 years.
Mrs. Doris Shields and Mr. Erhart Koerner were married.
Miss Gloria Hofer, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. E. J. Hofer, and Merle Miller were married.
Miss Mary Tuntland of Beresford and Gene Brodland of Menno were married.
Mrs. Elmer Schulz, a daughter of William Werning and his wife Frieda (nee Ahrendt), passed away age 66 years.
Ferd Guenthner passed away in Calif. at the age of 76. He is a brother to Mrs. Ferd Walter of this City.
George Mayer, age 79 years, passed away at Pine City, Minn. Mrs. Mayer is the former Tillie Schorzman, daughter of John Schorzman.
John S. Stahl died on Dec. 12 at the age of 47 years. He was the son of John and Susie Stahl.
Merle Bertsch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bertsch of St. Lawrence, and Miss Glenda Yearous of Miller were married.

Mrs. Andrew Krueger (nee Henrietta Lau), daughter of Ludwig Lau and his wife, Louisa, passed away at the age of 67 years.

Miss Constance Metha Kuhlman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Emil B. Kuhlmann and Victor A. Rames were married August 11.

Mr. and Mrs. Aug. Jensch observed their 50th Wedding Anniversary.

Miss Cora Marie Davidson and Harvey E. Rabe, son of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Rabe were married.

Miss Henrietta Wilde, daughter of Mrs. Henry Wilde, and Cecil Rhoades of Rapid City were married.

Mrs. Joe A. Waltner of Seattle, Wash., notified friends in this community that her brother Floyd E. Herting, 57, and her cousin Ole J. Lee 64, were killed in a car accident.

Mrs. Paulina Eckert died in Huron, age 79 years. Her former marriage was to John K. Mettler of Clayton in 1892, after he died she was married to Joe Eckert of Menno.

Ed. Heckenlaible passed away at Menno at the age of 72 years.

Lt. Richard F. Juhnke, son of Mrs. and Mrs. Leonard Juhnke, and Lt. Sheila J. Niece of San Diego were married.

Miss Carolina Aman, daughter of Mrs. Emil Aman, and Dennis McDonald of Chamberlain were married.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Roach of Davis observed their 66th Wedding Anniversary.

Miss Christina Denke, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Denke, and Julius Eisenbraun were married.

Herbert Huber, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Huber, and Miss Myrna Albrecht, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Albrecht, were married.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Krueger celebrated their 41st Wedding Anniversary.

Henry D. Kost passed away at Menno, his age 73 years.

Leonard and Olinda Fisher observed their 25th Wedding Anniversary.

Mrs. Sophia Schatz of Tripp died at the age of 96 years.

Miss Donna Keller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David P. Keller, and Willard Zeeb, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ruben Zeeb, were married.

Mr. and Mrs. Reinhold Knodel celebrated their 40th Wedding Anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Huber celebrated their 20th wedding anniversary Jan. 19.

David Kleinsasser, son of Joseph J. Kleinsasser passed away at the age of 67 years and 10 months. On Jan. 23 he had a heart attack and died 14½ hours later.

A surprise supper was held for Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Sedlesky in honor of their 20th wedding anniversary.

Mrs. Stephen Hieb, Mother of Mrs. Anthony Miller, passed away at the age of 84 years.

Mrs. August Kapsch (nee Louisa Millaud) passed away at the age of 83 years.

Carl Heckenlaible died in January 1958, age 89 years. Mrs. Carl Heckenlaible, nee Jacobina Ellwein died March 21, 1946.

Gottliebe Bok passed away at the age of 89 years, 10 months and 24 days.

Karl Deizer passed away in the Marion Home for Aged at the age of 75 years.

Fred Kost died at the age of 95 years in Parkston. He is a former Clayton man.

Carl Delzer, son of Christ and Dorethea (nee Eisinger) Delzer passed away at the age of 75 years.

Mrs. Josephine Wagenhals, mother of Mrs. Judge Tschetter, died in the Freeman Hospital at the age of 73 years.

Carmon June, the only child of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Heckenlaible passed away.

George Neuharth passed away at the age of 96 years with services in his old home in Eureka.

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Juhnke observed their 57th wedding anniversary.

Mrs. Elisabeth Wahl passed away at the age of 82 years.

Leo, son of Jake Hafner, passed away in the Bismarck, N. D. hospital.

Jacob J. S. Tschetter (butcher) passed away at the age of 79 years.

John Streyle died at Mobridge at the age of 77 years. Ferd, Henry and Ben attended the funeral.

Word comes from Aberdeen that the Rev. John Bodeman died at the age of 81 years, funeral services were held at Wisnek, N. D.

Mrs. Henry Dannenbring, nee Rademacher passed away.

Miss Mildred Ann Juhnke, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Juhnke of Emery and Curt Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Smith were married.

Mrs. Schmiedt of Tripp passed away. Her maiden name was Marie Blum, who used to live in Freeman.

Miss Darlene Joy Brodland, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Brodland and Juel David Hofer, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Hofer were married.

Mrs. John Steinhauer of Marion passed away. She is the mother of Mrs. Leon Stark.

George J. Kaufman passed away on Thursday, May 15, age 68 years. He was the son of Rev. Joseph Kaufman.

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The Rev. William G. Unrau assumed his position as pastor of the Bethany Mennonite Church on Sunday Jan. 5.

Funeral services for Will Massey were held at the Idelwilde Church. His age was 80 years.

Marlene Jean, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jake L. Hofer of Freeman, and Byron L. Schultz of Anoka, Minn. were married Jan. 25.

DEATHS

Arbeiter, Mr. Carl, Marion, Dec. 29, 1928, age 81.
 Albrecht, Irene, Marion, July 7, 1931, age 15.
 Aman, George, Freeman, Jan. 9, 1933, age 82.
 Albrecht, Peter J., Marion, Feb. 18, 1933, age 54.
 Albrecht, John Sr., Marion, June 17, 1933, age 86.
 Albrecht, Mrs. John, Marion, May 21, 1934, age 84.
 Auch, Christ Sr., Freeman, May 20, 1934, age 88.
 Adrean, Mrs. Isaak, Dolton, Aug. 6, 1934, age 61.
 Albrecht, Jacob, Mrs. Marion, June 28, 1937, age 46.
 Aberle, Alexander, Freeman, June 28, 1938, age 54.
 Aman, Mrs. George, Freeman, Jan. 27, 1939, age 82.
 Albrecht, Jacob, (Montana), July 4, 1942, age 75.
 Aman, Jacob, Freeman, Aug. 1, 1942, age 52.
 Aman, Edw., Freeman, May 30, 1944, age 50.
 Albrecht, Mrs. John A., Marion, Aug. 14, 1948, age 80.
 Aman, John, Freeman, June 4, 1949, age 66.
 Adrean, Isaak, Freeman, Jan. 26, 1950, age 78.
 Albrecht, John A., Marion, May 14, 1950, age 80.

Bender, Fred, age 84.
 Borman, John, Freeman, Feb. 5, 1928, age 72.
 Baner, Andrew, Freeman, Feb. 3, 1929, age 75.
 Bender, Jacob, Menno, July, 24, 1929, age 51.
 Broadland, Arthur, Freeman, Oct. 12, 1929, age 26.
 Becker, Mrs. Susana, Marion, Jan. 4, 1930, age 69.
 Berg, Mrs. (Rev.) Henry, Freeman, Feb. 20, 1930, age 74.
 Becker, B. B., Marion, Sept. 10, 1930, age 51.
 Berg, Tina, Marion, July 20, 1930, age 21.
 Becker, Jacob P., Marion, Nov. 22, 1930, age 68.
 Berg, Jacob (Boy), Marion, Feb. 25, 1931, age 2.
 Buller, Mrs. Fred, Dolton, Sept. 28, 1931, age 77.
 Buller, Rosela (Child of F. B.), Marion, Oct. 22, 1931, age 2.
 Buller, David J., Marion, Dec. 23, 1931, age 50.
 Blum, Mrs. George, Freeman, Jan. 14, 1933, age 86.
 Buckman, Mrs. Fred, Clayton, Sept 18, 1933, age 55.
 Buller, Henry H., Marion, May 31, 1935, age 53.
 Buller, Henry, Dolton, (Auto Ac.) Nov. 5, 1935, age 45.
 Buller, Henry Sr., Marion, March 20, 1936, age 80.
 Broadland, Mrs. O., Freeman, April 15, 1936, age 63.
 Baer, Johanis, Freeman, June 3, 1936, age 75.
 Buller, Mrs. John, Marion, Sept. 21, 1936, age 82.
 Buckman, Mrs. Robert, Clayton, Sept. 3, 1937, age 33.
 Berg, Mrs. C. H., Marion, Nov. 29, 1937, age 69.
 Baer, Reinhard, Freeman, Nov. 13, 1938, age 59.
 Becker, Mrs. Isaak, Dolton, Jan. 29, 1939, age 56.
 Buller, Mrs. H. F., Dolton, April 13, 1939, age 74.
 Buller, Mrs. Henry, Marion, May 8, 1939, age 79.
 Boese, Mrs. Sam, Marion, June 19, 1939, age 59.
 Becker, Dan B., Marion, Jan. 6, 1940, age 57.
 Berg, Jacob C., Marion, Oct. 28, 1940, age 43.
 Borman, Wm. H., Freeman, Jan. 15, 1941, age 57.
 Bertch, Mrs. And., Menno, May 21, 1942, age 91.
 Baer, Christ, Freeman, Aug. 19, 1942, age 66.
 Borman, Mrs. (John) Katie, Freeman, Nov. 23, 1942, age 68.
 Boese, Mrs. Agatha, Dolton, June 25, 1943, age 77.
 Borgen, Prof. J. I., Mountain Lake, Minn., Aug. 25, 1943, age 85.
 Busch, Edw. (Soldier), Freeman, Sept. 15, 1943, age 29.
 Becker, Roland (Soldier), Freeman, Sept 17, 1944, age 23.
 Boese, Sam, Dolton, Aug. 6, 1945, age 66.
 Beuerle, Mrs. Willard (Hopf), Marion, Dec. 17, 1945, age 25.
 Balzer, Rev. Jacob J., Mountain Lake, Minn., Feb. 5, 1946, age 85.

Brucklacker, Wm., Freeman, April 12, 1946, age 79.
 Becker, Abe B., Freeman, Oct. 5, 1946, age 61.
 Buller, Mrs. Fred, Marion, Feb. 1947, age 61.
 Bialefeld, Herman, Marion, Feb. 1947, age 61.
 Berg, Henry H., Marion, April 9, 1948, age 68.
 Berg, Miss Nettie, Marion, July 1, 1948, age 75.
 Becker, Jacob B., Dolton, Aug 6, 1948, age 80.
 Buller, Mrs. Abe, Dolton, Sept. 1, 1948, age 52.
 Bittner, Mrs. George, Marion, April 10, 1949, age 66.
 Brucklacker, Fred, Freeman, April 16, 1949, age 81.
 Borman, Rockford, Freeman, May 31, 1949, age 39.
 Bauer, Joseph, Freeman, Sept. 1, 1949, age 69.
 Bertch, And. A., Scotland, Aug. 6, 1949, age 69.
 Berg, Cornelius H., Marion, March 28, 1950, age 82.
 Baer, Mrs. Christ, Freeman, May 1, 1950, age 74.
 Brockmueller, Mrs. Wm., Freeman, June 16, 1950, age 73.

Carter, Mrs. Christ, Freeman, Sept. 3, 1934, age 78.
 Carter, Christ, Freeman, April 12, 1936, age 81.
 Crum, Mrs. Sarah (Engbrecht), Freeman, Feb. 1, 1945, age 23.
 Cramer, John, Parkston, June 7, 1946, age 75.
 Christensen, Pravin, Freeman, April 29, 1948, age 57.
 Carter, Mrs. Edw., Freeman, June 20, 1950, age 50.

Delzer, Mrs., Freeman, Dec. 22, 1929, age 89.
 Dangel, John, Freeman, Jan. 7, 1930, age 96.
 Dick, Mrs. Peter, Marion, March 18, 1930, age 63.
 Delzer, Mrs. Carl, Freeman, April 22, 1930, age 48.
 Decker, Ben W., Marion, Nov. 5, 1930, age 69.
 Dalke, Peter, Marion, Nov. 27, 1930, age 56.
 Decker, Mrs. Peter, Dolton, Aug. 16, 1932, age 84.
 Dewald, Wm., Freeman, Aug. 16, 1932, age 77.
 Decker, John W., Marion, April 4, 1935, age 64.
 Decker, Abraham, Marion, April 1, 1936, age 46.
 Decker, Mrs. Sam J., Clayton, Oct 3, 1936, age 56.
 Duerksen, Alvin, Marion, July, 17, 1937, age 19.
 Dahn, Mrs. Dora (Hoffer), Freeman, Jan. 2, 1939, age 63.
 Decker, Wm., Dolton, March 19, 1939, age 28.
 Downer, John, Freeman, April 25, 1939, age 91.
 Decker, Jacob S., Freeman, Dec. 8, 1939, age 72.
 Dirks, A. H., Marion, Dec. 31, 1939, age 72.
 Decker, Mrs. Ben L., Dolton, May 4, 1940, age 63.
 Dubs, Miss Emma, Freeman, Aug. 27, 1940, age 32.
 Deckert, John P., Marion, Oct. 20, 1940, age 58.
 Dewald, Wm., 1935, age 76.
 Deckert, Tobias W., Dolton, Nov. 8, 1942, age 68.
 Dalke, Henry J., Freeman, Dec. 2, 1941, age 65.
 Dubs, John Sr., Freeman, Feb. 9, 1942, age 87.
 Dalke, Gust, Marion, March 10, 1942, age 42.
 Dirks, John, Dolton, March 16, 1942, age 62.
 Deckert, Mrs. Jacob S., Freeman, April 13, 1942, age 65.
 Dirks, Fred, Marion, June 28, 1942, age 77.
 Decker, Mrs. Ben W., Marion, Jan. 15, 1943, age 80.
 Dalke, John, Marion, Feb. 13, 1948, age 61.
 Downer, Mrs. John, Freeman, Nov. 19, 1943, age 90.
 Deissler, Rev. Wm. (Adeline Schrag), New Jersey, Dec. 8, 1943, age 50.
 Dickof, Edw., Freeman, Dec. 17, 1943, age 65.
 Deckert, Mrs. And. S., Dolton, Jan. 13, 1945, age 65.
 Dubs, Mrs. John Sr., Freeman, Oct. 11, 1945, age 90.
 Deckert, Ben P., Dolton, Aug. 24, 1946, age 78.

Duerksen, Mrs. John, Moundridge, Kansas, Oct. 12, 1946, age 84.

Delzer, Mrs. Lena, Freeman, May 14, 1947, age 63.

Duerksen, Mrs. Abraham, Marion, March 16, 1947, age 82.

Dick, Bernhard P., Dolton, April 25, 1947, age 20.

Dewald, Rev. Edw., Mitchell, July 17, 1947, age 68.

Deckert, Ben L., Marion, Nov. 16, 1947, age 80.

Duerksen, Rev. Abe, Marion, July 14, 1948, age 58.

Decker, Sam J., Parkston, Nov. 5, 1948, age 78.

Dirks, Miss Lena, Marion, Sept. 17, 1949, age 71.

Dannenbring, Eldon, Clayton, Dec. 16, 1949, age 25.

Dick, Mrs. Isaak, Marion, March 5, 1950, age 83.

Dalke, Mrs. Peter, Marion, July 12, 1950, age 68.

Ellwein, John, Bridgewater, Sept. 28, 1928, age 38.

Engbrecht, Jacob, Marion, March 22, 1929, age 67.

Eisenbry, Theo, Menn, Jan. 17, 1930, age 24.

Edelman, Mrs. Jacob, Freeman, March 24, 1934, age 71.

Engbrecht, Mrs. Jacob, Marion, March 13, 1935, age 69.

Engbrecht, Peter D., Dolton, April 5, 1935, age 74.

Ewert, Miss Anna, Dolton, July 10, 1936, age 24.

Engbrecht, David, Dolton, Oct. 9, 1939, age 43.

Ensz, Mrs. David, Marion, July 8, 1940, age 80.

Engbrecht, Mrs. John J., Freeman, Jan. 16, 1941, age 58.

Ewert, John S., Dolton, Nov. 14, 1941, age 65.

Ensz, Mrs. Diedrich, Dolton, April 19, 1943, age 63.

Ensz, Diedrich, Dolton, May 2, 1944, age 64.

Ensz, Jacob, Dolton, July 5, 1946, age 72.

Eisenbeis, Jake, Freeman, Sept. 28, 1946, age 65.

Ellwein, Miss Rosina, Freeman, Oct. 21, 1946, age 16.

Ewert, Mrs. Julius (Schwartz), Marion, Nov. 1, 1947, age 73.

Engbrecht, Mrs. John Sr., Marion, June 27, 1948, age 86.

Ensz, John D., Marion, Sept. 20, 1948, age 67.

Edelman, Jacob, Marion, April 23, 1949, age 87.

Ediger, Mrs. Henry, Dolton, Sept. 5, 1949, age 84.

Edelman, John, Freeman, Dec. 25, 1949, age 80.

Fliginger, Mrs. Jake, Marion, July 21, 1933, age 55.

Fast, Mrs. Abraham, Dolton, July 19, 1935, age 72.

Franz, Peter J., Marion, July 8, 1937, age 66.

Friesen, Peter W., Freeman, Dec. 25, 1938, age 61.

Fliginger, Rev. J. J., Pretty Prairie Kans., Feb. 23, 1942, age 85.

Fastrop, Juel, Freeman, Oct. 24, 1946, age 64.

Fast, Herman Sr., Mountain Lake, Minn., July 15, 1947, age 87.

Fast, Mrs. Henry A. (Unruh), Freeman, June 1, 1948, age 54.

Gross, And. P., Freeman, Jan 31, 1928, age 38.

Glanzer, Mrs. Paul, Freeman, March 1, 1928, age 71.

Graber, Emil P., Freeman, July 14, 1928, age 27.

Gross, Mrs. John W., Freeman, Oct. 15, 1928, age 18.

Gross, Mrs. George J. C., Freeman, Dec. 29, 1928, age 35.

Graber Peter P., Freeman, Feb. 15, 1929, age 79.

Graber, Peter (Spits), Freeman, May 9, 1929, age 84.

Gross, Alice (Jake T.), Freeman, Aug. 10, 1929, age 10.

Graber, Miss Emma, Marion, Aug. 16, 1929, age 47.

Graber, Mrs. John B., Freeman, Aug. 29, 1929, age 87.

Graber, Christ, Freeman, Sept. 14, 1920, age 65.

Gross, Mrs. Paul W., Freeman, May 24, 1930, age 72.

Goertz, Mrs. Susie Regier, Marion, June 5, 1930, age 39.

Gross, Mrs. Wm. G., Freeman, July 17, 1930, age 67.

Goertz, Peter, Marion, Aug. 18, 1930, age 72.

Graber, John K., Marion, July 24, 1931, age 26.

Gering, Chas. J., Freeman, July 31, 1931, age 46.

Graber, Mrs. Elizabeth, Marion, Dec. 11, 1931, age 75.

Gross, Miss Ida (George), Freeman, June 16, 1932.

Gross, Jos. J., Freeman, July 20, 1932, age 63.

Graber, Jacob E., Marion, Sept. 7, 1933, age 55.

Gross, Mrs. Jos. C., Freeman, Oct. 19, 1933, age 69.

Gering, Peter, Washington, Jan. 22, 1934, age 78.

Graber, Peter C., Freeman, May 6, 1934, age 71.

Gering, Mrs. Freni (Christ), Freeman, July 1, 1934, age 55.

Goosen, Mrs. Frank, Freeman, Aug. 5, 1934, age 57.

Goosen, Mrs. John, Marion, Dec. 30, 1934, age 65.

Gross, Mrs. Jos. J., Freeman, May 5, 1935, age 66.

Grossmann, Mrs. Theo., Freeman, Dec. 19, 1935, age 68.

Graber, Jos. P., Freeman, Dec. 23, 1935, age 67.

Groves, Mrs. Wm., Freeman, May 31, 1936, age 75.

Gullickson, O. E., Freeman, July 10, 1936, age 63.

Gullickson, Mrs. O. E., Freeman, Oct. 9, 1936, age 63.

Goosen, John, Marion, Jan. 25, 1937, age 74.

Graber, Mrs. Jos. J., Freeman, Jan. 29, 1937, age 44.

Goosen, Miss Sarah, Marion, Feb. 12, 1938, age 32.

Guerke, Conrad, Clayton, April 6, 1938, age 73.

Graber, Mrs. Jacob, Freeman, Aug. 1, 1938, age 78.

Gering Jos. D., Marion, Nov. 10, 1938, age 70.

Goosen, Frank, Freeman, April 14, 1939, age 74.

Gottschall, Mrs. Rev. W. S., Penn., May 27, 1939, age 72.

Gering, Andrew, Freeman, May 28, 1940, age 84.

Goertz, Diedrich, Freeman, Aug. 12, 1940, age 77.

Gross, Mrs. John, Freeman, Jan. 20, 1942, age 80.

Gottschall, Rev. W. S., Penn., March 31, 1941, age 76.

Graber, Mrs. Jonathan F., Marion, June 25, 1941, age 49.

Georgeson, Elmer P., Freeman, Sept. 11, 1941, age 64.

Gross, John J., Freeman, Oct. 16, 1941, age 61.

Guenthner, Christ, Freeman, April 1, 1942, age 89.

Graber, Jacob, Alsam, N. Dak., Sept. 28, 1942, age 80.

Graber, A. A., Marion, Nov. 20, 1942, age 58.

Graber, Jona. P. L., Freeman, Nov. 20, 1942, age 54.

Groves, Milton, Freeman, June 11, 1943, age 81.

Gross, And. G. Freeman, Feb. 4, 1943, age 69.

Graber, Jacob Post, Freeman, April 6, 1943, age 86.

Graber, Mrs. Jacob S., Freeman, Aug. 15, 1943, age 57.

Graber, Mrs. Anna P., Freeman, Oct. 3, 1943, age 75.

Gross, Mrs. D. D., Freeman, Oct 12, 1943, age 77.

Graber, Henry F., Freeman, Nov. 23, 1943, age 44.

Gering, Mrs. Andrew, Freeman, Jan. 3, 1944, age 86.

Graber, John J., Freeman, May 12, 1944, age 83.

Graber, Peter Jno., Freeman, May 24, 1944, age 79.

Graber, Miss Delilah, Freeman, April 18, 1944, age 19.

Gering R. A., Freeman, May 12, 1944, age 65.

Guenthner, Mrs. Christ, Freeman, Jan. 25, 1945, age 85.

Graber, Jacob S., Freeman, Nov. 8, 1945, age 60.

Graber, Mrs. Henry (Post), Bridgewater, Dec. 5, 1945, age 54.

Gross, Mrs. And. W., Clayton, Aug. 12, 1946, age 55.

Glanzer, Sam W., Bridgewater, Oct. 20, 1946, age 75.

Gabolim, (Doc.) A. C., Dec. 25, 1946, age 84.

Goertz, Mrs. Peter (Tschetter), Marion, Feb. 11, 1947, age 85.

Guerke, Mrs. Conrad, Clayton, May 11, 1947, age 82.

Gross, Mrs. Paul C., Clayton, June 22, 1947, age 93.

Gering, Mrs. Jos. D., Marion, Aug. 21, 1947, age 64.

Gross, W. W., Freeman, Sept. 7, 1947, age 83.

Guerke, Ernest O., Clayton, Dec. 12, 1947, age 17.

Guerke, William, Clayton, Dec. 12, 1947, age 19.

Gering, Jacob D. (blind), Marion, May 13, 1948, age 77.

Graber, Mrs. Jonath P., Freeman, May 31, 1948, age 66.

Gross, Mrs. Rev. Paul F., Freeman, July 9, 1948, age 70.

Graber, Mrs. Peter (Spitz), Freeman, Aug. 23, 1948, age 86.

Glanzer, Paul, Bridgewater, Aug. 1949, age 73.

Goosen, Mrs. George, Marion, Oct. 2, 1949, age 61.
 Graber, Mrs. Milton, Freeman, Feb. 25, 1950, age 76.
 Gross, Mrs. And G., Freeman, June 3, 1950, age 81.

 Hofer, Mrs. Paul A., Bridgewater, Feb. 29, 1928, age 32.
 Hofer, Andrew S., Freeman, March 15, 1928, age 79.
 Huber, Philep, Freeman, April 13, 1928, age 73.
 Hofer, John (Wolfcreek), Menno, May 10, 1928, age 70.
 Haupt, Dan, Freeman, May 10, 1928, age 45.
 Hofer, Mrs. Joshua R. M., Freeman, June 14, 1928, age 65.
 Huber, Arthur (child), Freeman, Nov. 17, 1928, age 2.
 Heckenlaible, Mrs. Albert, Freeman, Jan. 19, 1929, age 28.
 Hofer, George D., Freeman, May 31, 1929, age 68.
 Huber, Mrs. Wm. G., Menno, Oct. 24, 1929, age 49.
 Hofer, Mrs. George D., Freeman, Jan. 6, 1930, age 61.
 Huber, Wm. G., Menno, Sept. 6, 1930, age 55.
 Heckenlaible, Jacob, Freeman, Nov. 13, 1930, age 78.
 Harder, Rev. D. E., Hillsboro, Kans., Freeman, Oct. 16, 1930, age 58.

 Huber, Arnold, Freeman, Jan. 17, 1931, age 13.
 Hansen, Mrs. Ole, Freeman, Feb. 9, 1931, age 32.
 Hofer, Mrs. Michael R., Freeman, Aug. 5, 1931, age 89.
 Holzwarth, John, Freeman, Nov. 6, 1931, age 61.
 Hofer, Michael R., Freeman, Oct. 25, 1932, age 103.
 Haar, Mrs. Theo. F., Freeman, March 1, 1933, age 41.
 Hofer, Doc. E. A., Marion, June 28, 1933, age 55.
 Hofer, D. D., Freeman, Nov. 14, 1933, age 67.
 Huber, Mrs. Lydia, Freeman, Nov. 15, 1933, age 64.
 Hieb, Jacob, Marion, Nov. 26, 1933, age 75.
 Hofer, Mrs. Paul, Bridgewater, Dec. 12, 1933, age 32.
 Hofer, Mrs. Jos. A., Freeman, May 11, 1934, age 58.
 Haar, Mrs. Gilbert, Freeman, July 10, 1934, age 21.
 Holzwarth, Mrs. Phillip, Freeman, Sept. 17, 1934, age 94.
 Hofer, M. M., Bridgewater, Oct. 12, 1934, age 63.
 Hofer, Mrs. Joshua (formery Mrs. John Kleinsasser), Freeman, July 26, 1935, age 75.

 Huber, Wm., Clayton, Jan 4, 1936, age 71.
 Harnisch, John, Clayton, Jan. 1, 1936, age 74.
 Hafner, Mrs. John, Freeman, Jan. 4, 1936, age 75.
 Hafner, John, Freeman, Jan. 10, 1936, age 78.
 Hofer, Michael R. M., Freeman, May 14, 1936, age 80.
 Hopf, Mrs. Agnes, Freeman, Dec. 13, 1936, age 72.
 Hansen, H. S., Freeman, April 11, 1938, age 58.
 Hofer, Mrs. Sammy, Dolton, April 24, 1938, age 22.
 Hofer, Joshua, Freeman, June 9, 1938, age 78.
 Heckenlaible, Edwin, Freeman, June 25, 1938, age 36.
 Haar, Erwin (Theo.), Freeman, Dec. 23, 1938, age 17.
 Hein, Mrs. Adam, Freeman, April 14, 1939, age 84.
 Huber, Wm., Menno, Aug. 10, 1939, age 36.
 Hoefs, Coral, Freeman, Aug. 23, 1939, age 93.
 Hofer, Mrs. John M. S., Freeman, Nov. 21, 1939, age 64.
 Huber, Mrs. Jacob Sr., Freeman, Jan. 11, 1940, age 80.
 Hofer, Erwin, (John R.), Freeman, March 13, 1940, age 17.
 Hofer, Joshua R., Freeman, July 16, 1940, age 82.
 Hofer, Mrs. Jacob L., Dolton, July 21, 1941, age 66.
 Hein, Fred, Freeman, Aug. 19, 1941, age 73.
 Hofer, Mrs. Elizabeth, Freeman, Dec. 18, 1941, age 62.
 Hofer, Mrs. Andrew Sr., Freeman, April 3, 1942, age 93.
 Holzwarth, Mrs. John, Freeman, May 2, 1943, age 72.
 Hoelwarth, Mrs. John Sr., Winner, May 10, 1943, age 83.
 Hofer, Robert W., Freeman, Feb. 17, 1943, age 25.
 Hofer, Mrs. Paul J., Freeman, Aug. 11, 1943, age 71.
 Hofer, Mrs. Robert, Freeman, Jan. 5, 1944, age 75.
 Hein, Miss Emma, Freeman, April 18, 1944, age 48.
 Hofer, A. R. M., Freeman, April 21, 1944, age 70.
 Hofer, Jacob P., Bridgewater, Oct. 9, 1944, age 58.
 Hofer, Rev. D. M., Chicago, Dec. 20, 1944, age 75.

 Hofer, Mrs. Paul D., Dolton, Feb. 16, 1945, age 37.
 Hofer, Mrs. Johnny, Sioux Falls, Feb. 12, 1945, age 47.
 Heckenlaible, Mrs. Leon, Freeman, July 20, 1945, age 18.
 Hofer, Dav. R. M., Dolton, Oct. 4, 1945, age 77.
 Haar, Fred, Freeman, Jan. 19, 1946, age 90.
 Handel, Mrs. Richard, Menno, Jan. 4, 1946, age 45.
 Hofer, Mrs. Peter G., Dolton, March 6, 1946, age 64.
 Heckenlaible, Mrs. Karl, Freeman, March 21, 1946, age 77.
 Hofer, Peter G., Dolton, March 23, 1946, age 69.
 Hofer, Mrs. D. R. M., Dolton, Dec. 1, 1946, age 65.
 Hofer, Mrs. Paul R. M., Freeman, April 29, 1947, age 67.
 Hofer, Paul R. M., Freeman, May 7, 1947, age 81.
 Hofer, Mrs. D. D., Freeman, July 18, 1947, age 76.
 Huber, Henry W., Menno, Sept. 18, 1947, age 41.
 Hofer, David, Bridgewater, Jan. 26, 1948, age 77.
 Hanneman, Richard, Chicago, Feb. 29, 1948, age 65.
 Haeues, Carl Jr., May 13, 1948, 75.
 Hofer, Joseph R., Bridgewater, May 15, 1948, age 67.
 Huber, Jacob M., Freeman, June 2, 1948, age 60.
 Hopf, Miene Hages, Hurley, Aug. 30, 1948, age 55.
 Haar, Mrs. Fred, Freeman, Aug. 30, 1948, age 91.
 Huber, Felix, Arizona, Oct. 12, 1948, age 57.
 Heckenlaible, Mrs. Albert, Menno, Jan. 13, 1949, age 88.
 Holzwarth, Christ, Freeman, May 7, 1949, age 69.
 Hofer, Mrs. Alfred (J.M.S.), Freeman, July 28, 1949, age 32.
 Harnisch, Mrs. Herman, Yankton, Aug. 8, 1949, age 64.
 Hofer, Mrs. Joshua M., Freeman, Aug. 14, 1949, age 79.
 Hofer, Mrs. Rebecca (John S), Bridgewater, Jan. 7, 1950, age 91.
 Huber, Walter, Menno, April 5, 1950, age 34.
 Hofer, Mrs. Jake S., Freeman, May 26, 1950, age 44.
 Heckenlaible, C. C., Freeman, June 13, 1950, age 60.
 Hofer, Doc. M. M., Freeman, July 28, 1950, age 70.

 Isaak, Mrs. Doc. John P., California, March 19, 1938, age 59.

 Janke, Ferdinand, Freeman, Jan. 1, 1929, age 61.
 Jantz, Jacob, Marion, March 7, 1930, age 69.
 Janz, Mrs. Julie, Clayton, May 24, 1930, age 82.
 Jundt, Fred, Freeman, July 29, 1935, age 64.
 Jorstad, Peter, Freeman, March 2, 1939, age 88.
 Janke, Mrs. Ferdinand, Freeman, Oct. 12, 1945, age 76.
 Janowski, Bernard, Munich, N. D., Oct. 4, 1946, age 71.
 Janzen, C. J., Parkston, Oct. 14, 1946, age 76.
 Jensen, Jens T., Freeman, Feb. 17, 1948, age 67.
 Jensen, Fred M., Freeman, June 30, 1948, age 58.

 Kleinsasser, Paul E., Freeman, May 16, 1928, age 68.
 Kleinsasser, Jacob Sr., Freeman, Nov. 17, 1928, age 76.
 Kehn, Mrs. Tobias, Dolton, Dec. 11, 1928, age 62.
 Kleinsasser, John J., Freeman, Aug. 18, 1930, age 59.
 Kaufman, Mrs. Peter J., Freeman, Dec. 31, 1930, age 52.
 Kleinsasser, Mrs. Paul, Freeman, April 1, 1931, age 76.
 Kaufman, Daniel, Marion, July 3, 1931, age 79.
 Kaufman, Mrs. Jonas, Freeman, July 27, 1931, age 40.
 Kaufman, Mrs. John C., Marion, Dec. 21, 1931, age 51.
 Kleinsasser, Clarence, Freeman, May 30, 1932, age 20.
 Kleinsasser, Isaak Theo., Freeman, July 23, 1932, age 49.
 Kunkel, Henry, Dolton, Oct. 29, 1932, age 64.
 Klaise, Henry, Freeman, Feb. 19, 1933, age 64.
 Kohn, Jacob, Dolton, June 5, 1933, age 74.
 Klassen, John, Marion, Oct. 28, 1934, age 40.
 Kaufman, Jacob P., Marion, Nov. 21, 1934, age 76.
 Kleinsasser, Sach., Menno, Dec. 29, 1934, age 35.
 Kunkel, Carl, Clayton, April 27, 1935, age 61.
 Kaufman, Orvel (John T.), Freeman, July 27, 1935, age 13.
 Koster, G. F., Freeman, Aug. 4, 1935, age 70.
 Kautz, Jacob, Chicago, Sept. 2, 1935, age 54.

Kunkel, Mrs. Tobias, Marion, Sept. 20, 1935, age 65.
 Kaufman, Tobias C., Marion, Jan. 16, 1936, age 74.
 Koerner, Mrs. John J., Freeman, April 23, 1936, age 55.
 Kleinsasser, Jacob A., Freeman, May 12, 1936, age 66.
 Korkel, Mrs. D. C., Freeman, Aug. 17, 1936, 30.
 Kleinsasser, Lowia, Freeman, Feb. 7, 1937, age 17.
 Kaufman, Ben., Marion, Feb. 12, 1937, age 51.
 Kunkel, Mrs. Henry, Dolton, Feb. 12, 1937, age 64.
 Kleinsasser, Joseph Sr., Freeman, May 2, 1937, age 75.
 Kautz, Mrs. Jacob Sr., Freeman, July 26, 1937, age 84.
 Kleinsasser, Mrs. John P., Freeman, July 10, 1937, age 38.
 Kleinsasser, Jacob J., Freeman, Aug. 8, 1937, age 62.
 Kleinsasser, Ida, Freeman, March 21, 1938, age 17.
 Keller, Mrs. David, Freeman, March 2, 1939, age 65.
 Knodel, John, Menno, April 12, 1941, age 76.
 Kaufman, Alva (T.C.), Marion, Sept. 27, 1941, age 33.
 Koerner, Fred, Emery, Oct. 6, 1941, age 71.
 Kneels, Mrs. Wm., Viborg, April 11, 1942, age 54.
 Kunkel, John, Marion, Aug. 13, 1942, age 74.
 Kliever, Mrs. G. G., Marion, Jan. 1943, age 73.
 Koonts, Mrs. Elbert (Louise), Mountain Lake, Minn., Feb. 27, 1943, age 25.
 Kleinsasser, Mrs. John E., Freeman, May 1, 1943, age 62.
 Kleinsasser, Alice, (Math J.), Freeman, May 19, 1943, age 20.
 Kaufman, Jacob, Cleveland, Kans., Aug. 13, 1943, age 84.
 Kloise, Mrs. Henry, Freeman, Sept. 11, 1943, age 73.
 Koerner, Chas., Freeman, Jan. 24, 1944, age 60.
 Kaufman, Jacob C., Freeman, May 26, 1944, age 79.
 Kaufman, Doc. Edward, Marion, May 1, 1944, age 60.
 Kunkel, Mrs. Gust, Marion, June 25, 1944, age 45.
 Krehbiel, J. J. Post., Kansas, Oct. 7, 1944, age 86.
 Kleinsasser, Mrs. Joseph Sr., Freeman, March 16, 1946, age 82.
 Kaufman, John C., Pretty Prairie, Kans., May 23, 1946, age 77.
 Knittel, Mrs. George, Freeman, March 22, 1947, age 74.
 Krueger, Andrew, Hurley, April 23, 1947, age 63.
 Kaufman, A. T., Freeman, June 29, 1947, age 54.
 Kaufman, Gordon Ed., Freeman, Dec. 26, 1948, age 18.
 Kaufman, Henry J., California, March 31, 1948, age 68.
 Knittel, Edw., Freeman, May 8, 1948, age 51.
 Knittel, Ruth, Freeman, May 15, 1948, age 31.
 Krehbiel, C. E., Newton, Kans., June 9, 1948, age 79.
 Kaperman, Mrs. Dolton, July 14, 1948.
 Kleinsasser, Jacob M., Freeman, Feb. 25, 1949, age 60.
 Kaufman, Flora (Wesley), Freeman, July 21, 1949, age 7.
 Knorr, Otto, Marion, Oct. 20, 1949, age 70.
 Kaufman, Mrs. Jacob P., Freeman, Dec. 4, 1949, age 86.
 Kapsch, Henry, Clayton, Jan. 20, 1950, age 70.
 Lambert, John, Marion, Feb. 18, 1928, age 70.
 Liepelt, Mrs. Wm., Freeman, April 13, 1929, age 26.
 Loewen, C. C., Dolton, Aug. 12, 1930, age 76.
 Lowen, Mrs. C., Dolton, Jan. 26, 1935, age 82.
 Langle, Mrs. Carl, Clayton, June 21, 1936, age 62.
 Loewen, Mrs. C. H., Dolton, May 3, 1942, age 65.
 Langle, Chas. Clayton, Jan 25, 1943, age 80.
 Lundgennel, A. R., Freeman, April 3, 1944, age 73.
 Loewen, C. H., Dolton, Aug. 1, 1945, age 70.
 Lipelt, August, Freeman, July 23, 1947, age 81.
 Maar, Christ, 1936, age 77.
 Miller, Christ, Freeman, Dec. 26, 1927, age 77.
 Mensch, Mrs. Philip, Freeman, Jan. 4, 1928, age 55.
 Miller, Mrs. Rev. Christ, Marion, Oct. 25, 1928, age 81.
 Mendel, Mrs. J. J., Freeman, Sept. 3, 1929, age 42.
 Mutschelknaus, Fred, Freeman, Sept. 27, 1929, age 77.
 Miller, Christ, Freeman, Sept. 1930, age 78.
 Maas, Mrs. John, Menno, May 24, 1930, age 62.
 Melzer, Mrs. Ernest, Marion, Nov. 14, 1932, age 72.
 Mayer, Mrs. Fred, Clayton, April 17, 1932, age 68.
 Miller, And. J., Hurley, Sept. 17, 1932, age 55.
 Marquardt, Fred, Clayton, July 29, 1933, age 67.
 Maas, John, Menno, Aug. 6, 1933, age 72.
 Mutschelknaus, Edw., Freeman, Sept. 10, 1933, age 48.
 Miller, Miss Alvina P., Freeman, Dec. 19, 1933, age 28.
 Miller, Maria P., Freeman, Jan. 21, 1934, age 31.
 Mensch, Miss Dorothy, Freeman, March 27, 1934, age 27.
 Mutschelknaus, Mrs. Reinhold, Freeman, June 4, 1934, age 20.
 Miller, Mrs. Jos. A., Freeman, Jan. 15, 1935, age 75.
 Miller, Jos. A., Freeman, March 20, 1935, age 72.
 Miller, Mrs. Peter, Marion, April 22, 1936, age 80.
 Mettler, Andrew, Clayton, April 25, 1936, age 78.
 Millard, Mrs. Add., Clayton, Feb. 12, 1937, age 89.
 Mosby, Ralph, Freeman, Feb. 20, 1937, age 29.
 Mendel, Mrs. D. E., Freeman, March 27, 1937, age 40.
 Miller, John B., Freeman, Oct. 25, 1937, age 39.
 Miller, Edwin J., Hurley, Nov. 9, 1939, age 28.
 Mutschelknaus, Carl, Freeman, Jan. 23, 1940, age 75.
 Miller, Mrs. John F., Freeman, March 26, 1941, age 79.
 Mutschelknaus, Mrs. Fred., Marion, June 8, 1942, age 72.
 Mendel, Mrs. Peter, Freeman, Oct 16, 1941, age 72.
 Miller, Peter Sr., Marion, April 8, 1942, age 83.
 Morreson, Mrs. Eva, Freeman, June 16, 1942, age 88.
 Metzger, Mrs. J. (Atty.), Menno, July 5, 1943, age 42.
 Miller, Mrs. John J., Freeman, Aug. 8, 1943, age 76.
 Miller, John J., Freeman, Dec. 29, 1943, age 84.
 Mandl, Peter P., Freeman, Jan. 12, 1944, age 75.
 Mendel, Esther (John S.), Chicago, March 5, 1944, age 19.
 Mutschelknaus, Mrs. R. C., Freeman, June 12, 1944, age 51.
 Miller, Agnis, Freeman, July 16, 1946, age 37.
 Mensch, Philip, Sr., Freeman, Oct. 30, 1946, age 81.
 Mendel, Peter M., Freeman, June 23, 1947, age 55.
 Meisenholder, Sister to Christ R., Tripp, Sept. 13, 1949, age 76.
 Mosby, Hans G., Freeman, Oct. 30, 1949, age 76.
 Miller, Peter J., Freeman, April 16, 1950, age 86.
 Nachtigal, Mrs. Abraham, Marion, Oct. 6, 1944, age 71.
 Nuss, Adam, Freeman, Jan. 12, 1949, age 74.
 Ortman, Mrs. F. C., Marion, Jan. 6, 1928, age 57.
 Ortman, K. K., Marion, June 23, 1931, age 65.
 Ortman, Mrs. Gottlieb, Dolton, Jan. 20, 1933, age 65.
 Ortman, Emil C., Marion, June 14, 1934, age 29.
 Oswald, Adolph, Freeman, June 22, 1935, age 53.
 Ortman, Mrs. August, Freeman, Oct. 20, 1936, age 52.
 Ortman, F. F., Marion, Dec. 22, 1939, age 68.
 Oswald, Will, Freeman, March 17, 1942, age 56.
 Ortman, Mrs. C. K., Marion, Dec. 22, 1944, age 69.
 Oswald, Gottlieb, Freeman, Oct. 10, 1945.
 Oswald, Mrs. Jacob, Freeman, Nov. 17, 1945, age 66.
 Ortman, C. K., Marion, July 29, 1947, age 76.
 Ortman, Julius, Dolton, Oct. 4, 1948, age 76.
 Ortman, Emanuel, Dolton, Aug. 27, 1949, age 48.
 Ortman, F. C., Marion, Sept. 31, 1949, age 81.
 Ortman, Wilfred, Florida, Sept. 30, 1949, age 66.
 Pullman, Mrs. And., Freeman, March 18, 1929, age 57.
 Preheim, Mrs. P. P., Marion, May 24, 1929, age 37.
 Pankratz, Isaak, Dolton, Sept. 11, 1930, age 62.
 Pullman, And., Freeman, Feb. 2, 1931, age 61.
 Preheim, (Girl) John J., Freeman, April 15, 1931, age 8.
 Preheim, Mrs. Peter Sr., Marion, Oct. 2, 1934, age 85.

Platt, John, Hurley, July 6, 1936, age 78.
 Preheim, Peter Sr., Marion, Feb. 23, 1937, age 88.
 Pauls, Mrs. Henry, Marion, Feb. 19, 1937, age 50.
 Pankratz, Peter J., Freeman, May 5, 1937, age 52.
 Pfaff, Jacob, Marion, July 30, 1937, age 83.
 Pfeiffer, Mrs. Barbara, Freeman, Jan. 8, 1937, age 80.
 Piller, Adolph, Freeman, June 27, 1939, age 51.
 Pankratz, Mrs. David, Scotland, May 9, 1942, age 48.
 Pullman, And. J., Wolfcreek, Jan. 25, 1943, age 69.
 Pankratz, Wm., Rochester, Aug. 26, 1943, age 45.
 Peddi, Albert, Freeman, Dec. 12, 1943, age 62.
 Pollman, Jeremia, Freeman, May 13, 1945, age 75.
 Preheim, Mrs. Jacob Sr., Freeman, May 18, 1945, age 84.
 Pankratz, Mrs. Isaak, Dolton, July 13, 1945, age 69.
 Pollman, Joe, Clayton, July 15, 1946, age 33.
 Pfeiffer, Mrs. John, Freeman, Aug. 13, 1946, age 53.
 Pankratz, David, Marion, Oct. 30, 1946, age 55.
 Pollman, John J., Clayton, Jan. 19, 1947, age 65.
 Pollman, Mrs. Paul J., Freeman, July 13, 1947, age 79.
 Pollman, Paul, Bridgewater, Sept. 20, 1948, age 71.
 Pollman, Paul G., Freeman, Dec. 24, 1948, age 83.
 Pfeiffer, Elmer (F.B.P.), Freeman, March 4, 1949, age 30.
 Pollman, Jacob J., Freeman, Oct. 3, 1949, age 69.
 Pressler, Mrs. Martin, 1936, age 90.
 Roth Reinhold, Clayton, Jan. 19, 1928, age 40.
 Rothe, R., Freeman, Feb. 21, 1928, age 52.
 Roth, Mrs. John, Clayton, April 5, 1930, age 48.
 Richert, Peter, Marion, Oct. 21, 1931, age 67.
 Ries, Jacob, Marion, June 7, 1932, age 92.
 Roth, Arthur, Clayton, Dec., 19, 1932, age 24.
 Ratzlaff, Abe J., Freeman, Jan. 1, 1933, age 44.
 Roth, John, Clayton, July 22, 1933, age 58.
 Regier, Rev. H. H., Mountain Lake, Minn., Jan. 1, 1934, age 78.
 Ratzlaff, John J., Freeman, Feb. 23, 1943, age 34.
 Regier Heinrich, Marion, Feb. 1, 1935, age 76.
 Richter, Peter, Freeman, Jan. 15, 1936, age 68.
 Regier, Mrs. John, Marion, March 26, 1937, age 80.
 Ries, Mrs. Jacob, Freeman, Sept. 22, 1937, age 77.
 Ries, Peter K., Parmelee, Feb. 20, 1938, age 69.
 Roth George, Clayton, Sept. 39, age 66.
 Rademacher, Otto, Clayton, Nov. 25, 1940, age 71.
 Ries, Mrs. John, Marion, Sept. 1, 1941, age 56.
 Ratzlaff, Andreas, Marion, Dec. 15, 1941, age 74.
 Ries, Joseph, Marion, Jan. 26, 1943, age 87.
 Rittershaus, (Accident), Menno, Nov. 17, 1945, age 48.
 Ratzlaff, Mrs. John, Freeman, July 10, 1946, age 78.
 Regier, Prof. A. J., Newton, Kans., May 6, 1947, age 62.
 Ratzlaff, John, Marion, July 3, 1950, age 84.
 Rittershaus, Rev. T. A., 1936.
 Schamber, Roland (Ernest), Freeman, Feb. 26, 1928, age 12.
 Schwartz, John S., Freeman, May 16, 1928, age 80.
 Schorzman, Johnny, Freeman, Sept. 17, 1928, age 27.
 Schrag, Mrs. Jos. Jos. Sr., Freeman, Dec. 24, 1928, age 86.
 Solberg, Knut, Freeman, April 12, 1929, age 47.
 Stucky, Christ, Freeman, May 12, 1929, age 81.
 Schoppert, Wm., Clayton, June 8, 1929, age 51.
 Stucky, John, Freeman, June 19, 1929, age 48.
 Stahl, George, Dolton, Nov. 4, 1929, age 81.
 Stern, Mrs. Phillip, Clayton, May 2, 1930, age 48.
 Schrag, Jonath J. (Missionary to China), Marion, April 11, 1930 (Funeral June 15), age 55.
 Stolp, Mrs. Jacob, Freeman, July 13, 1930, age 62.
 Schmuck, Mrs. Henry, Freeman, Sept. 9, 1930, age 64.
 Schmidt, Dan, Marion, Nov. 1, 1930, age 68.
 Stucky, Mrs. John, Marion, Oct. 29, 1931, age 51.
 Stucky, Erhard (Ray), Marion, Dec. 31, 1931, age 5.
 Soft, Emil, Dolton, Jan. 17, 1932, age 60.
 Steihauer, Aug., Marion, Jan. 19, 1932, age 61.
 Saner, Christ (Boy), Marion, March 20, 1932, age 5.
 Smidt, Mrs. Hans, Freeman, April 4, 1932, age 66.
 Schmidt, Abe H., Marion, May 8, 1932, age 67.
 Schmidt, John, Dolton, June 6, 1932, age 90.
 Schamber, Mrs. Peter, Freeman, June 9, 1932, age 86.
 Schroeder, H. P., Marion, June 25, 1932, age 80.
 Schmidt, Mrs. John, Dolton, July 6, 1932, age 84.
 Schwartz, Bernhard, Freeman, Sept. 10, 1932, age 54.
 Schultz, Tobias T., Avon, Dec. 13, 1932, age 71.
 Stern, Mrs. Jacob, Clayton, Feb. 22, 1933, age 68.
 Schoppert, Peter Sr., Freeman, March 7, 1933, age 80.
 Schrag, Doc. Jos. K., Freeman, April 8, 1933, age 62.
 Schrag, Jonath P., Marion, March 22, 1933, age 43.
 Schultz, Mrs. Gust, Freeman, Sept. 7, 1933, age 40.
 Schmidt, Miss, Amalia, Marion, Sept. 5, 1933, age 58.
 Schmuck, Henry, Freeman, Dec. 15, 1933, age 69.
 Schmidt, Charley, Freeman, May 1, 1934, age 33.
 Schmidt, Henry, Freeman, May 13, 1934, age 31.
 Schwartz, Jacob, Freeman, Jan. 30, 1935, age 58.
 Stucky, Mrs. Peter J., Marion, March 9, 1935, age 22.
 Schrag, Mrs. Peter Jos., Freeman, March 24, 1935, age 68.
 Schmidt, Mrs. John D., Marion, April 1, 1935, age 41.
 Schempp, And., Freeman, July 23, 1935, age 58.
 Schmidt, Isaac, Dolton, Nov. 5, 1935, age 48.
 Schrag, Mrs. Jacob H., Freeman, Dec. 1, 1935, age 86.
 Stern, Mrs. Gottlieb, Clayton, Dec. 3, 1935, age 79.
 Schamber, George J., Freeman, Jan. 6, 1936, age 77.
 Schroeder, Mrs. H. P., Marion, June 30, 1936, age 69.
 Schrag, Chas. F., Freeman, Sept. 27, 1936, age 26.
 Smidt, Hans, Freeman, Nov. 5, 1936, age 76.
 Schamber, Peter Sr., Menno, Feb. 12, 1937, age 85.
 Stucky, Peter C., Freeman, May 14, 1937, age 66.
 Schulz, Mrs. Peter, Dolton, Sept. 17, 1937, age 59.
 Stahl, John Sr., Freeman, Dec. 31, 1937, age 84.
 Stahl, Mrs. Paul J., Freeman, Jan. 26, 1938, age 46.
 Stucky, Mrs. Jacob, Freeman, April 25, 1938, age 71.
 Steiger, Mrs. Regina, Freeman, Oct. 1, 1938, age 50.
 Schwartz, Joseph, Freeman, Dec. 8, 1938, age 66.
 Soft, Wm., Pretty Prairie, Kans., Jan. 30, 1939, age 85.
 Stucky, Mrs. Peter C., Freeman, Dec. 19, 1939, age 66.
 Svarteen, Iver, Freeman, Dec. 24, 1939, age 61.
 Schrag, Mrs. John M., Marion, Feb. 10, 1940, age 66.
 Schartner, Miss Lydia, Dolton, April 13, 1940, age 33.
 Schmidt, And. D., Freeman, April 19, 1940, age 77.
 Schartner, Rev. Jacob, Dolton, Dec. 21, 1940, age 75.
 Schrag, Mrs. Ernest E., Freeman, Feb. 13, 1941, age 41.
 Schroeder, Rev. P. R., (Mountain Lake), Freeman, April 16, 1941, age 52.
 Schoppert, Mrs. Fred, Clayton, July 23, 1941, age 55.
 Schmidt, LeRoy (Peter), Marion, Dec. 23, 1941, age 14.
 Soft, Mrs. Wm., Pretty Prairie, Kans. Jan. 12, 1942, age 80.
 Schorzman, John, Freeman, March 21, 1942, age 65.
 Schoppert, Henry, Freeman, April 17, 1942, age 66.
 Schamber, Mrs. George J., Freeman, May 18, 1943, age 77.
 Schrag, Vernice (J. J.), Freeman, Oct. 1, 1943, age 16.
 Schmidt, Mrs. Dan H., Marion, Oct. 17, 1943, age 73.
 Schrag, Mrs. Jacob Gruber, Bridgewater, Nov. 17, 1943, age 90.
 Schultz, Peter, Dolton, June 8, 1945, age 68.
 Svarteen, Olef, Freeman, July 24, 1945, age 70.
 Schroeder, Mrs. Wm., Marion, Oct. 9, 1945, age 80.
 Schroeder, Wm., Marion, Oct. 18, 1945, age 78.
 Schmidt, Mrs. Jacob, Freeman, Oct. 26, 1945, age 66.

Schmidt, Mrs. Aaron, Marion, Dec. 11, 1945, age 27.
 Schartner, Mrs. Rev. Jacob, Dolton, April 19, 1946, age 74.
 Schultz, Rev. David, Avon, Aug. 3, 1946, age 73.
 Schoppert, Phillip, Freeman, Dec. 6, 1946, age 56.
 Schrag, Leon, Milwaukee, Nov. 1946, age 69.
 Schultz, Miss Helen, Dolton, Feb. 1947, age 39.
 Schrag, Miss Anna, Freeman, March 11, 1947, age 72.
 Schult, Mrs. John, Menno, February, 25, 1947, age 46.
 Schmidt, Mrs. John, Marion, Sept. 5, 1947.
 Schmidt, Mrs. A. D., Freeman, Sept. 21, 1947, age 67.
 Schrag, Jos J., Freeman, Oct. 30, 1947, age 78.
 Smidt, Tom, Freeman, May 12, 1948, age 84.
 Stahl, Melvin (Mike), Freeman, July 81, 1948, age 12.
 Siebert, Ferdinand, Marion, Sept. 1, 1948, age 79.
 Schrag, Miss Frenie, Freeman, Dec. 21, 1948, age 75.
 Schrag, Peter P., (Little Pete), Freeman, Feb. 4, 1949, 70.
 Schmidt, John D., Marion, April 19, 1949, age 60.
 Schoppert, Mike, Parkston, July 11, 1949, age 74.
 Schwartz, Nola Joye (Paul), Freeman, Aug. 1, 1949, age 16.
 Sadlezka, Wm., Menno, Aug. 5, 1949.
 Schorzman, Mrs. Emilia, Freeman, Oct. 12, 1949, age 72.
 Schmidt, Mrs. Peter, Dolton, March 19, 1950, age 59.
 Smidt, Mrs. Tom, Freeman, April 11, 1950, age 82.
 Schoppert, Ferdinand, Freeman, July 9, 1950, age 66.
 Senner, Jonah, Canistota, May 24, 1950, age 68.
 Schultz, Gust, Freeman, Aug. 1, 1950, age 59.

 Tschetter, Mrs. Lorenz, Freeman, Jan. 4, 1928, age 70.
 Tieszen, Peter P., Marion, Feb. 21, 1928, age 78.
 Tieszen, Mrs. Peter D., Marion, July 24, 1929, age 72.
 Thomas, Mrs. Cor., Marion, Jan. 2, 1930, age 82.
 Tiessen, Peter, Freeman, May 25, 1930, age 68.
 Thomas, Edw., Freeman, Feb. 7, 1931, age 21.
 Tschetter, Mrs. Jasua I., Freeman, Sept. 9, 1931, age 75.
 Tiessen, Mrs. Jacob A., Dolton, Dec. 20, 1931, age 45.
 Tiessen, Walter (Isaak), Marion, Jan. 3, 1932, age 16.
 Thomas, Warren (Jos.), Freeman, Feb. 25, 1932, age 11.
 Tschetter, Jacob, Bridgewater, June 1, 1932, age 76.
 Thiart, Jacob P., Marion, Jan. 7, 1934, age 47.
 Tschetter, George, Freeman, March 21, 1934, age 51.
 Thomas, Peter L., Freeman, April 5, 1934, age 60.
 Tschetter, Mrs. George W., Freeman, July 21, 1934, age 80.
 Tschetter, Jos. J., Freeman, Nov. 2, 1934, age 55.
 Tieszen, Ewald, Marion, Nov. 17, 1934, age 19.
 Thiart, Peter, Dolton, Feb. 6, 1935, age 80.
 Tschetter, Elias, Freeman, Aug. 5, 1935, age 32.
 Tiessen, Mrs. Peter, Freeman, July 5, 1936, age 78.
 Tschetter, Joe G., Freeman, July 9, 1936, age 35.
 Tiessen, Jos., Marion, Sept. 12, 1936, age 28.
 Tiessen, Mrs. Derk D., Marion, Nov. 11, 1937, age 54.
 Trowbridge, Mrs. Mary E., Freeman, Jan. 18, 1938, age 80.
 Tiessen, Doc. Peter D., Marion, Nov. 28, 1938, age 80.
 Tschetter, Theodore D., (Joe D.), Freeman, Feb. 22, 1939, age 15.
 Tiessen, Derk D. Doc., Marion, March 21, 1939, age 57.
 Tschetter, Joseph Sr., Freeman, April 16, 1939, age 90.
 Tiessen, Mrs. Rev. David D., Marion, June 18, 1939, age 68.
 Tiessen, Mrs. Frank D., Marion, Aug. 11, 1941, age 71.
 Tiessen, Mrs. Abe., Marion, Aug. 19, 1941, age 61.
 Thiart, Jacob, Dolton, Sept. 4, 1941, age 81.
 Tiessen, Peter R., Dolton, Sept. 25, 1942, age 61.
 Toews, Peter, Fargo, N. Dak., Sept. 28, 1942, age 64.
 Tschetter, Paul W., Bridgewater, Feb. 16, 1943, age 77.
 Tschetter, Joshua, I., Freeman, Aug. 4, 1943, age 86.
 Tieszen, Herman, Marion, Sept. 28, 1943, age 41.
 Tschetter, Rev. Paul, Bridgewater, July 27, 1945, age 76.
 Thomas, Alfred, Freeman, Aug. 28, 1945, age 38.
 Tschetter, Mrs. Margaret, Freeman, Nov. 2, 1945, age 86.

 Tiessen, Rev. Derk, Freeman, April 7, 1946, age 87.
 Tschetter, Paul W., Freeman, Sept. 15, 1946, age 87.
 Tiessen, Mrs. Emil, Freeman, Nov. 1, 1946, age 45.
 Tiessen, Richard Frank, Marion, Oct. 11, 1947, age 13.
 Tiessen, Mrs. Rev. Derk, Freeman, Jan. 12, 1948, age 88.
 Tiessen, Gerhard D., Montana, Nov. 30, 1948, age 46.
 Taylor, Mrs. Dora, March 16, 1949, age 90.
 Tschetter, Jas. D., Freeman, July 12, 1949, age 69.
 Tiessen, Peter K., Montana, Dec. 1949, age 72.
 Tschetter, Jacob W., Freeman, Jan. 26, 1950, age 79.
 Tschetter, John W., Freeman, March 1, 1950, age 81.
 Tiessen, Jacob P., Marion, March 16, 1950, age 86.

 Unruh, Abe H., Arena, N. Dak., April 2, 1930, age 62.
 Unruh, Jacob C., Marion, Jan. 4, 1931, age 65.
 Unruh, Mrs. John D., Marion, July 1, 1931, age 73.
 Unruh, John D., Marion, April 25, 1933, age 80.
 Unruh, Rev. Heinrich P., Marion, April 22, 1934, age 73.
 Unruh, And. C., Marion, Jan. 7, 1935, age 70.
 Unruh, C. P., Marion, Nov. 5, 1935, age 70.
 Unruh, Mrs. Jacob C., Marion, March 6, 1936, age 66.
 Unruh Mrs. John H., Sept. 6, 1937, age 77.
 Unruh, Mrs. Peter H., Freeman, Nov. 30, 1937, age 72.
 Unruh, Mrs. C. C., Freeman, Nov. 25, 1939, age 66.
 Unruh, Mrs. Dan H., Freeman, July 23, 1941, age 72.
 Unruh, P. P., Dolton, Oct. 24, 1942, age 58.
 Unruh, C. C., Freeman, May 3, 1943, age 72.
 Unruh, Rev. H. P., Avon, Dec. 1, 1944, age 80.
 Unruh, Mrs. Abe H., Dolton, April 11, 1947, age 76.
 Unruh, Peter H., Freeman, Sept. 15, 1947, age 87.
 Unruh, Henry, Dolton, Sept. 26, 1947, age 73.
 Unruh, Mrs. Peter P., Freeman, Feb. 7, 1948, age 65.
 Unruh, Doyles (Ray), Freeman, Oct 6, 1948, age 2.
 Unruh, Henry C., Canistota, Dec. 8, 1949, age 64.
 Unruh, C. P., Mrs. Marion, Nov. 12, 1948, age 71.
 Unruh, Tobias, Dolton, Dec. 4, 1949, age 70.

 Vogt, Theo. F., Marion, Nov. 1, 1948, age 42.

 Wipking, Henry, Marion, Sept. 7, 1928, age 65.
 Walter, Paul Sr., Freeman, Dec. 21, 1928, age 83.
 Waltner, Edw. Jos., Freeman, April 8, 1929, age 40.
 Waltner, And. J., Sr., Freeman, April 21, 1929, age 82.
 Wollman, Jake K., Freeman, April 28, 1929, age 36.
 Wilde, Mrs. Carl, Freeman, June 5, 1929, age 74.
 Waltner, Jacob A., Freeman, June 21, 1929, age 45.
 Wollman, Mrs. And. J., Freeman, June 27, 1929, age 37.
 Williams, Mrs. Jacob A., Marion, Nov. 2, 1929, age 48.
 Walter, Henry, Bridgewater, Nov. 8, 1929, age 70.
 Wilde, Chas., Freeman, May 6, 1930, age 40.
 Williams, Abe., Marion, Nov. 14, 1930, age 69.
 Wipf, Dave, Wolf Creek, February 23, 1931, age 19.
 Wedel, Gust, Hurley, March 21, 1931, age 62.
 Walz, Mrs. Johannis, Freeman, March 24, 1931, age 76.
 Walter, Jacob, Clayton, April 30, 1931, age 66.
 Walter, Mrs. Paul Sr., Freeman, Oct. 1, 1931, age 84.
 Wiens, Mrs. Henry, Marion, Feb. 21, 1932, age 68.
 Wiedmeier, John, Freeman, Oct. 25, 1932, age 78.
 Wollman, And. Jer., Freeman, Dec. 14, 1932, age 54.
 Waltner, Jacob P., Marion, July 26, 1933, age 45.
 Wollman, And J., Freeman, Oct. 13, 1933, age 69.
 Wipf, Mrs. Rachel, Freeman, Nov. 6, 1933, age 80.
 Wipf, Mrs. Dave J., Freeman, Nov. 10, 1933, age 71.
 Wipf, Doc. A. A., Freeman, Dec. 21, 1933, age 65.
 Williams, Henry, Marion, Feb. 1934, age 37.
 Waldner, Miss Maria, Freeman, Feb. 27, 1934, age 64.
 Waldner, Michael Sr., Freeman, March 3, 1934, age 87.
 Wollman, Jacob S., Freeman, April 15, 1934, age 27.
 Wollman, Miss Elizabeth, Freeman, May 17, 1934, age 31.

Walter, Mrs. Franz, Freeman, July 12, 1934, age 82.
Waldner, And., Freeman, Dec. 19, 1934, age 80.
Wipf, George E., Freeman, Feb. 21, 1935, age 49.
Walter, John J., Freeman, April 21, 1935, age 60.
Walz, Johannis Jr., Freeman, June 18, 1935, age 81.
Wiens, Mrs. Peter J., Marion, July 17, 1935, age 67.
Wipf, Mrs. Rev. John L., Freeman, July 24, 1935, age 92.
Waltner, Mrs. And. J., Freeman, Jan. 14, 1936, age 82.
Waldner, Mrs. Martin, Freeman, Feb. 4, 1936, age 73.
Wiens, Peter J. A., Dolton, Feb. 11, 1936, age 64.
Warkentin, Henry, Marion, Dec. 4, 1935, age 27.
Wollman, Mrs. Dav. M., Freeman, April 18, 1936, age 76.
Wollman, Mrs. Jacob A., Freeman, March 20, 1937, age 63.
Waltner, Mrs. Peter J., Freeman, March 22, 1937, age 34.
Wipf, Rev. Dav. J., Freeman, June 6, 1937, age 76.
Williams, Mrs. G. C., Freeman, March 2, 1938, age 47.
Wipf, E. G., Freeman, March 19, 1938, age 62.
Wipf, John Z., Freeman, March 21, 1938, age 73.
Wollman, Dav. M., Freeman, April 21, 1938, age 83.
Waltner, Mrs. Jonah J., Freeman, Sept. 18, 1938, age 76.
Wier, John, Freeman, Jan. 6, 1939, age 74.
Waltner, Mrs. Peter M., Freeman, March 27, 1939, age 75.
Waldner, Mrs. Peter M. S., Freeman, April 19, 1939, age 72.
Wollman, Mrs. And. M., Menno, Oct. 13, 1939, age 65.
Wipking, Mrs. Henry, Freeman, Jan. 15, 1940, age 87.
Wollman, Mike Sr., Freeman, June 18, 1940, age 90.
Walz, Pearl (John H.), Freeman, July 14, 1940, age 10.
Waltner, Peter M., Freeman, Sept. 3, 1940, age 78.
Walz, Christ, Freeman, March 16, 1941, age 76.
Waltner, Ben J., Freeman, May 5, 1941, age 74.
Waldner, Mrs. And., Freeman, May 9, 1941, age 80.
Williams, Mrs. Abe., Marion, May, 28, 1941, age 78.
Waltner, Mrs. John J., Freeman, June 10, 1941, age 72.
Wipf, John J., Freeman, June 21, 1941, age 71.
Wier, John, Freeman, Aug. 15, 1941, age 39.
Waltner, Jacob J., Freeman, Sept. 14, 1941, age 83.
Walter, Mrs. John I., Freeman, Dec. 16, 1941, age 56.
Wilde, Wilma (Wm.), Freeman, Aug. 23, 1934, age 5.
Wipf, Mrs. E. M., Freeman, Sept. 22, 1934, age 33.
Walz, John C., Freeman, Feb. 16, 1942, age 72.
Waltner, Mrs. Jacob J., Freeman, July 11, 1942, age 80.
Wipf, John E., Freeman, Nov. 15, 1942, age 63.
Walz, Mrs. Christ, Freeman, Oct. 3, 1942, age 72.
Wiens, Peter J., Marion, Dec. 25, 1942, age 71.
Walter, Mrs. Maria Joseph, Freeman, Jan. 3, 1943, age 94.
Wipf, Mrs. Rachel Zach, Freeman, March 18, 1943, age 84.
Walter, Mrs. Jacob J., Clayton, May 24, 1943, age 77.
Waltner, Mrs. Jos. Jos. Sr., Freeman, Dec. 5, 1943, age 86.
Wollman, Harry (Dav.), Menno, Jan 28, 1944, age 5.
Walter, Mrs. John S., Freeman, March 22, 1944, age 27.
Waltner, Peter Jos., Freeman, June 15, 1944, age 79.
Waltner, And. J., Freeman, July 27, 1944, age 67.
Wilde, Henry, Freeman, Sept. 5, 1944, age 50.
Walz, Jacob A., Freeman, Oct. 10, 1944, age 65.
Walter, Mrs. Isaak, Freeman, Oct. 7, 1944, age 91.
Wenzlaff, Mrs. Anna, Freeman, Jan. 27, 1945, age 76.
Williams, Mrs. Barbara John, Marion, Aug. 22, 1945, 74.
Wipking, Edw., Marion, March 1, 1946, age 70.
Walz, Mrs. Jacob, Freeman, March 12, 1946, age 68.
Wipf, Mrs. Eli, Bridgewater, March 16, 1946, age 77.
Wiens, Henry, Marion, April 8, 1946, age 80.
Walz, Daniel, Freeman, May 28, 1946, age 52.
Wipf, Mrs. Elias G., Freeman, Feb. 17, 1947, age 70.
Wiens, Mrs. Peter, Marion, April 18, 1947, age 74.
Walter, Mrs. Paul, Freeman, July 22, 1947, age 67.
Waltner, Joseph N., Freeman, July 24, 1947, age 78.
Wipf, Peter G., Oregon, Nov. 8, 1947, age 61.

Walter, Mrs. John J., Freeman, Jan. 29, 1948, age 71.
Waltner, Harley, Freeman, Feb. 14, 1948, age 33.
Waltner, Mrs. Arnold, Hurley, June 3, 1948, age 51.
Wiens, John B., Marion, June 21, 1948, age 47.
Wistenhagen, Emil, Freeman, July 25, 1948, age 62.
Wipf, Mrs. Dav. S. (Red), Emery, Sept. 7, 1948, age 52.
Wiedmeier, Mrs. John, Oct. 3, 1948, age 84.
Waltner, Mrs. Peter Jos., Freeman, June 12, 1949, age 82.
Walz, Philip, Menno, July 4, 1949, age 65.
Waldner, Miss Kathryn, Freeman, July 26, 1949, age 42.
Wollman, John M., Freeman, Sept. 10, 1949, age 60.
Weidenbach, Edw., Gary, Oct. 12, 1949, age 48.
Waltner, E. E., Freeman, Jan. 17, 1950, age 59.
Weidenbach, Mrs. Emile, Jan. 16, 1950, age 73.
Zickrick, Frank, Freeman, July 22, 1934, age 76.
Zanter, Mrs. Louis, Clayton, Jan. 30, 1938, age 57.
Zickrick, Mrs. Louise, Freeman, Dec. 20, 1939, age 42.
Zeep, Mrs. Peter, Menno, July 29, 1943, age 84.
Bartling, Henry, 1945.

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THE FOLLOWING PASSED INTO ETERNITY IN 1955

D. P. Glanzer, Dolton, S. Dak.
Joe R. Waldner, Doland, S. Dak.
Joe L. Wipf, Freeman, S. Dak.
Mrs. Jacob P. Becker, Marion, S. Dak.
Mrs. Joe D. Hofer, Freeman, S. Dak.
Mrs. Carl Schmeichel, Freeman, S. Dak.
Bernhard Fast, Fresno, California.
Mrs. Katie Knodel, Freeman, S. Dak.
Emil Aman, Freeman, S. Dak.
Paul M. Hofer, Huron, S. Dak.
Miss Susann Schrag, Marion, S. Dak.
Mrs. Math Laber, Freeman, S. Dak.
Scoty Joe Hofer, Bell Fourche, S. Dak.
Joseph Pullman, Huron, S. Dak.
Mrs. G. G. Schmidt, Marion, S. Dak.
Paul M. Waldner, Freeman, S. Dak.
John Auch, Menno, S Dak.
Rev. John Kleinsasser, Chaseley, North Dakota.
Kenneth Martin Tschetter, Huron, S. Dak.
Miss Claudia Graber, Freeman, S. Dak.
Peter Wahl, Marion, S. Dak.
Mrs. Jacob A. Goosen, Marion, S. Dak.
Lars C. Larsen, Yankton, S. Dak.
Leonard Pedde, Sioux Falls, S. Dak.
Sam M. Glanzer, Huron, S. Dak.
Peter W. Tschetter, Huron, S. Dak.
Mrs. Anna Hofer, Carpenter, S. Dak.
Lue J. Kutcher, Sioux City, Iowa.
Mrs. Amelia Rittershaus, Freeman, S. Dak.
Avereth Andrew, Menno S. Dak.
Thomas Satter, Freeman, S. Dak.
James Funk, Yale, S. Dak.
John J. Mendel, Freeman, S. Dak.
Jacob Glanzer, Bridgewater, S. Dak.
Jake J. Walter, California.
Dr. J. P. Isaac, California.
Ed. Satter, Parker, S. Dak.
Mrs. John Eckert, Midland, S. Dak.
Mrs. Harley Schultz, Bridgewater, S. Dak.
Jacob Decker, Huron, S. Dak.
Mrs. Chester Donaldson, Sioux Falls, S. Dak.

Jack Wipf, Maxwell Colony.
Dr. J. H. Wipf, Freeman, S. Dak.
E. M. Wipf, California.
Mrs Peter S. Hofer, Hitchcock, S. Dak.
Sherly Wipf, Bridgewater, S. Dak.
Mrs. John Aman, Freeman, S. Dak.
Rev. David W. Tschetter, Bridgewater, S. Dak.
Rev. Joseph W. Tschetter, Chicago, Illinois.
Mrs. John L. Tschetter, Huron, S. Dak.
John G. Huber.
Louis Satter, Parker, S. Dak.
Mrs. Sam Z. Wipf, Bridgewater, S. Dak.
Mrs. Elias A. Wipf, Bridgewater, S. Dak.
Infant of Mr. and Mrs. Paul P. Gross, Freeman, S. Dak.
Kathy Kay Glanzer, Carpenter, S. Dak.
Mrs. Dan J. Graber, Bridgewater, S. Dak.

Geo. Bertus, Freeman, S. Dak.
Valentine Kieper, Clayton, S. Dak.
Peter J. P. Graber, Freeman, S. Dak.
John A. Kaufman, Idaho.
Mrs. Henry Ries, Freeman, S. Dak.
14 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Erwin Gross, Hitchcock, S. Dak.
Dr. Ben P. Graber, Chicago, Illinois.
Mrs. Christina Mehlhaff, Menno, S. Dak.
Mrs. Joseph Ries, Freeman, S. Dak.
Mrs. Jake Schwartz, Freeman, S. Dak.
Willie Walter, Freeman, S. Dak.
Hans Gottche, Colony of Mercy, Elm Spring.
Mrs. Joe F. Walter, Bridgewater, S. Dak.
Mrs. John Handel, Menno, S. Dak.
Henry Bartling

SOLDIERS



JACOB HOFER

Jacob Hofer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Hofer, was killed in action October 16, 1918, according to word received in Bridgewater. His parents reside near Clayton.

When America entered the war Hofer was one of the first ten thousand that volunteered from the state of South Dakota. He often expressed himself as being anxious to go across the sea and do his share to win the war for America.

Hofer fought through most of the summer campaign with a machine gun battalion and it is believed that he fell in the battle of the Argonne forest although no definite particulars of his death have been received.

This McCook county man enlisted August 23, 1917. He was 31 years old.

JACOB STUKEY

Jacob Stukey passed away in an army hospital at Fort Riley, Kansas, October 10, 1918, following a protracted illness caused by the after-effects of influenza. His remains were taken to Freeman, the home of the Stukey family, and were interred in the Salem-Zion cemetery near Marion, S. D.

The deceased was born near Marion, S. D., July 31, 1896. When he was 13 years old his father died. He worked for several people of the country to help support the family, and moved to Freeman some years ago and accepted work in a lumber yard there.

JACOB WEBER

Jacob Weber was killed on the last day of the war, reports say. Mr. Weber, of Freeman, Hutchinson county, who was one of the first men to leave his home and enter the service, was killed in action in the Argonne Forest October 18, 1918, according to word received by his relatives. No definite particulars of his death were procurable.



WALTER SAHTEL

Walter Sahmel was born in Germany March 10, 1920. He came to America with his parents in 1924. At the age of 16 he joined the U. M. church. His life was a short span of 23 years and 2½ months. He was inducted in the Army June 24, 1942, and was killed in action in the Aleutians on May 29, 1943. His last remains were sent to Freeman in 1948 for final burial.

ROBERT W. HOFER

Robert Hofer, son of Dr. and Mrs. M. M. Hofer died in action in 1943. Age 25 years.



STAFF SGT. JOHN K. GROSS

John K. Gross died in an airplane crash in the Mediterranean Sea Aug. 17, 1945. Age 25 years. Son of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Mendel. He was on his way home when their ship struck a mine and the many soldiers on that ship all drowned.



ROLAND D. BECKER

Born June 19, 1921 and died in France Sept. 17, 1944, age 23 years. Son of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Becker.

Freeman and Community Churches

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CONGREGATION AND SCHOOL, Freeman, South Dakota

St. Paul's Lutheran Congregation was organized in 1882 with nine members, being served by Rev. E. F. Melcher. In 1886 he accepted a call from Centerville to the parish which comprised the following congregations and preaching places: Heilbronn, Freeman, Menno, Quast, Friedenthal and Wolf Creek. During the first four years our congregation met for Divine Services at the homes of various members and later in the public school building. The congregation decided to erect a church building 24x32 feet. This church was dedicated to the service of the Triune God in 1886.

The congregation also realized the necessity and value of having a Christian Day School, where the children would be instructed daily in the Word of God and therefore, heeded the Savior's command: "Feed my lambs," and erected a school house in 1888. Here their children would learn to know and believe in Jesus their only Savior. The first school house is the present home of Herbert Fast. The first floor served as schoolroom while the second floor was used as teacherage. Later the school was moved into the church, thus this building served the double purpose of church and school. After seventeen years of this combination of church and school it was necessary to erect a larger church. Therefore, the present church was built and dedicated in 1899. Quite recently the church was renovated and redecorated. The old church was then used for a schoolhouse and in the course of the years an addition of 24x24 was built to provide a second classroom. Since this enlarged school soon proved to be inadequate the congregation resolved to build the present school which was dedicated in the beginning of 1925 in the name of the Triune God. At times the enrollment required a staff of three teachers to care for the instruction of the pupils.

The first parsonage, the former parsonage of Heilbronn, was moved to Freeman and was occupied by the pastors E. F. Melcher and A. Brauer. In the year 1894 the next parsonage was erected on the southeast corner of the church property and served until 1945 as our parsonage. In that year the present parsonage was erected. During the time of razing the old parsonage and erecting the new one Rev. P. Brill and family lived in the school building.

In 1948 a teacherage was built on the southwest corner of the present schoolgrounds.



ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

During the past 75 years the congregation was served by the following pastors: E. F. Melcher, 1882-1889; A. Brauer, 1889-1903; H. Boumann, 1904-1911; G. Doege, 1911-1914; K. Schroeder, 1915-1921; G. H. Steffen, 1922-1928; G. Schaefer, 1928-1934; C. D. Eifert, 1934-1944; Paul Brill, 1944-1953; A. Szegedin, 1953-1956. The present pastor, Rev. Norman F. Seebach, was installed in our church on April 7, 1957.

From the small beginning of 19 souls and 9 voting members in 1882 the congregation now numbers 426 souls, 322 communicant members and 81 voting members. During the past 75 years 895 children and 6 adults were baptized; 683 children and 63 adults were confirmed; 190 couples were married and 245 members were buried.

The 75th anniversary was held June 2, 1957. Speakers were Rev. Paul Brill of Long Prairie, Minn. and Rev. Norman Spomer of Edgeley, N. D. Organists were Emil Kriewaldt, Corrine Schmuck and Orville Walz.



THE PRESENT ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN SCHOOL

The following served as teachers in our parochial school: A. Wilske, T. H. Grossman, M. Leyhe, C. Bahle, H. Nielsen, E. Berning, F. Wagner, E. Kohtz, P. Schmandt, Mrs. Hugo Haar, Herbert Einspahr, Elizabeth Hoffman, E. Kriehwaldt, G. L. Wyneken, Martha Dewardal, Melitta Schamber, E. Schaefer, P. Hintz, Clara Gericke, Lillian Ellwein, M. Arkebauer, H. Harms, Theo. Schreiner, Paula (Buls) Harr, Elton Dubs, Alice Haar, LeRoy Moderow, H. Franzen, Woodrow Ellwein, Darlene (Mundt) Schamber, June (Mundt) Schamber, Arlene Wiersig, Irene (Spomer) Kleinsasser, Fay Richert, Dorothy Quest, Arlene Bader, Eunice Szegedin.



THE BETHLEHEM REFORMED CHURCH Freeman, S. D.

The Bethlehem Reformed Church, of Freeman, whose original members consisted of Russian Immigrants of German descent, who came to America in the years 1871 and 1873 to Sandusky, Ohio and wintered there until spring of 1874 when they came to Yankton, Dakota Territory wher homesteads were to be had in the Dakotas.

The Bethlehem Reformed Church was organized in January 1892 under the guidance of Rev. H. Teichrieb. The original group who organized the church consisted of eleven families whose names were Christian and Joseph Buechler, Gottlieb Dobler, Johann Dorr, Johann Feick, Johann Gross, Mathaus Huber, Jacob Reinschmidt, Peter Schempp, Johann Schaeffer and Gottlieb Teske. Of this group only John Gross is still alive at this time and on June 1st, celebrated his 97th birthday.

A church was built in the same year 1892 at a cost of \$1400.00 which still serves the congregation.

The Rev. H. Teichrieb served this church for a period of two years when he resigned. The church was then served from 1895 until July 1924 by the Rev. Rittershaus.

In April 1925 the Rev. John Bodenman took up his duties and served the church until June 1939. In 1937 improvements were made in the church building and a pulpit installed.

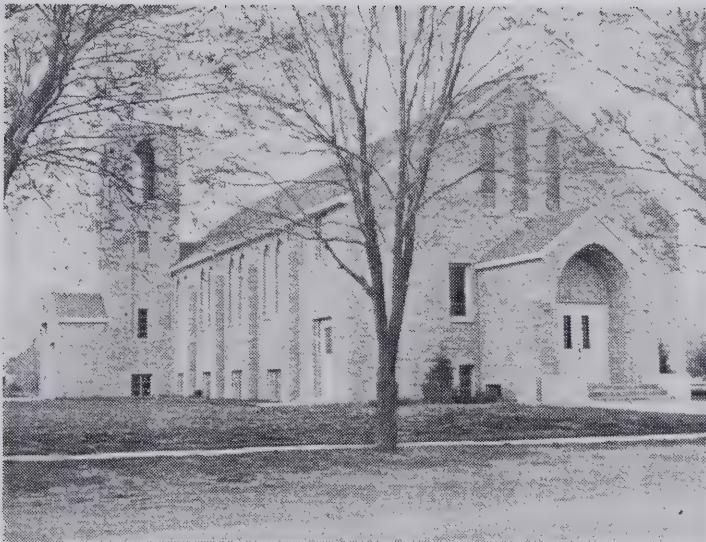
On June 5th 1939 the Bethlehem Reformed Church severed its relationship with the Salem Reformed Church at Menno, and joined up with the Kassel Reformed Church north of Menno.

The church was then served by the Rev. William E. Korn from 1939 to 1948, when relationship was severed with the Kassel Reformed Church and the Bethlehem Reformed Church then joined up with the Bethel Reformed Church at Marion.

The Rev. H. A. Hartman then served the church from 1948 until 1954.

From 1955 to date the Rev. Henry A. Bartel is now serving the church.

The original benches which were brought up from Yankton by hayrack, have been discarded and replaced with new modern benches. The original reed organ has been replaced with a grand piano.



BETHANY MENNONITE CHURCH
Freeman, S. D.

The Bethany Mennonite Church was started by East Freeman, West Freeman and Silver Lake people. At first they had no minister and a minister from one of these three groups was expected to bring the Sunday message in the church and also had Sunday School in the school house located on the present City Park grounds. Seeing the need of a permanent meeting house the following met to discuss the question of a church building: George Gross, A. Gering, Paul R. M. Hofer, A. D. Schmidt, John Borman, John W. Tschetter, Sam Walter, Jake M. Wollman, Joe C. Graber, Joe A. Miller, Joe L. Wipf, and Jake J. Graber. They elected a committee of 5 trustees, namely: A. Gering, Chr.; Jacob M. Wollman, Sec.; Sam Walter, Treas.; and George Gross and John Borman.

The present site was bought from A. Gering at \$15.00 and a building was erected in 1898. The three carpenters were: Joseph C. Gross, Peter C. and Zacharias Kleinsasser donated labor. The amount of \$2,000 had been accumulated and it was decided to build. The size was 28 feet wide, 48 feet long. John Schroeder of Dolton was the contractor to take charge of construction with the brethren donating their labor. The building was completed the same summer and dedicated with Rev. Christian Kaufman and Rev. Christian Mueller in charge. These two ministers with Joseph Kaufman and John L. Wipf occupied its pulpit until joined in 1902 by Rev. H. A. Bachman, who came to Freeman to assume his duties at the new college.

In 1920 a parsonage was purchased at a cost of \$6,500.

By 1924, because of increased attendance in both church and Sunday School, it became obvious that the congregation had outgrown its original building. Work was started to enlarge. Work was completed in 1925 at a cost of \$4,000.



REV. WILLIAM UNRAU

Present minister of Bethany Mennonite Church in Freeman, came January 1, 1958.

On Sunday morning, November 4, 1945 the church was destroyed by fire, a total loss with only 4 benches and several books saved.

In 1946 the planning committee made plans for a new church structure. Construction began in spring of 1948, was dedicated Sunday, May 11, 1952. The church and contents as it stands, cost \$69,000. It measures 102 feet 5 inches in length; is 38 feet wide at the nave, 55 feet wide at the rear, and features a bell tower rising 40 feet.

The construction of a new parsonage was begun in 1952. The membership of Bethany is now 326.

**PASTORS WHO HAVE SERVED BETHANY
MENNOMITE CHURCH**

H. A. Bachman	1902-1915
J. M. Regier	1915-1918
Elmer Basinger	1918-1920
John C. Peters	1920-1922
S. P. Preheim	1922-1923
P. P. Kleinsasser	1923-1924
Elmer Basinger	1924-1927
David E. Harder	1927-1930
P. N. Hiebert	1930-1932
Walter Gering	1932-1937
Harold H. Gross	1937-1938
Louis Linscheid	1938-1945
Hugo J. Mierau	1945-1951
Lester Hostetler	1952-1957

Rev. Arnold Nickel served as supply minister from April 1957 to July 1957. Rev. Harold Gross was supply pastor after that till Rev. Wm. Unrau came in January, 1958.



REV. H. A. BACHMAN
1902-1915

MINISTERS OF THE BETHANY CHURCH



REV. J. M. REGIER
1915-1918



REV. JOHN C. PETERS
1920-1922



REV. ELMER BASINGER
1924-1927
1918-1920



REV. DAVID E. HARDER
1927-1930



DR. HAROLD H. GROSS
1937-1938

Supply Pastor July 1957 - Jan. 1958

Also a faculty member at
Freeman Jr. College



SALEM LUTHERAN CHURCH

On February 14, 1877, a group of Norwegian settlers met at the home of one, Gunerius Larson, Yankton, County, Dakota Territory, and organized what was known as the Opdahl Congregation. In 1880, a group of families from the Molan community joined the Opdahl group. They were: George Mosby, Sam Hanson, Hans Hanson, Christ Hanson, Peder Jorstad, Christ Carter, Jens Erickson, John Bragstad and Lars Vogland.

All types of services were at first held in the pioneer homes. When school houses were built they became the official meeting places. Opdahl's services, thus, were held in three different school houses. The Molan group met at the Downer school.

In 1888, the group in Yankton County erected a church and adopted the name of Trygstad Congregation, while we retained the name of Opdahl until 1898, when we built a church and changed the name from Opdahl to Salem.

Pastors who served the congregation since its founding in 1877 were: Rev. Iver Andreason (a circuit rider), Rev. Carl J. Olson, Rev. L. A. Breen, Rev. L. L. Mastad, Rev. O. H. Brodland (a son of our congregation), Rev. J. M. Runestad, Rev. A. T. Daniels, Rev. O. W. Sougstad, and the present pastor, Rev. Virgil Johnson. Rev. Stanley Olson and Rev. Richard Solberg, Augustana College, served as supply pastors.



PASTOR ALVIN PERRY BRUCKLACHER

graduated from Luther Theological Seminary, St. Paul, Minnesota in 1957 and was ordained on June 16, 1957. He is serving the Ross Parish, Ross, North Dakota, as a Minister of the Evangelical Lutheran Church.



JOHANNESTHAL REFORMED CHURCH

Among the first German immigrants who came from southern Russia and settled west of Freeman, were the following families: Philipp Holzwarth, Andreas Bertsch, Christian Delzer, Christian Auch, Johann Schempp, Fritz Mutschelknaus, Gottlieb Delzer, Jacob Schatz and Johannes Schatz. The Philipp Holzwarth family came from Rohrbach, and all the other families came from Johannesthal in southern Russia. From 1873 to 1877 the worship services of the Johannesthal congregation were conducted in the house of Christian Delzer. The first elders who were in charge of the reading services were Christian Auch and Johannes Schatz.

In 1877 was the first church building erected, and in 1902 the present church edifice was built and several times remodeled.

The first infant that was baptized in the old church was Michael Schoppert. The Rev. Drescher was in charge of the ceremony.

The Johannesthal congregation had been organized as an independent Lutheran church, but under the pastoral care of Reverends J. Orth, J. Bonekemper, and H. Teichrieb the members of the Johannesthal congregation accepted the Reformed faith as it is expressed in the Heidelberg Catechism of 1563. The Rev. Johann Bonekemper was no stranger to those who had come from Johannesthal in southern Russia. His father, the Rev. Carl Bonekemper, was a minister in Rohrbach, South Russia. And the latter had been in charge of a triple wedding which took place on December 17, 1868 at the Rohrbach church. All three bridal couples had journeyed from Johannesthal to Rohrbach. Those three bridal couples were the following: Andreas Bertsch and Sophie Delzer, Michel Schatz and Amrei Steiger, Johannes Bertsch and Friederike Ulmer. The first bridal couple who was married in the new Johannesthal church west of Freeman were Heinrich Sayler and Elizabeth Schempp. The Rev. A. Kirchhoefer was in charge of this wedding.

The first ministers who took on pastoral duties were the Reverend Drescher (Lutheran), the Rev. Beckmann (Lutheran), and the Rev. Jose (Congregational). The influence of the Reverends Ort, Bonekemper, and Teichrieb resulted in the organization of a united charge (Parish) and in the adoption of a united constitution for both congregations.

The Johannesthal congregation consists of 25 families. Thus the Kassel Reformed Parish has 75 families.



ZION-KASSEL REFORMED CHURCH

The founding of the Zion Reformed and the Johannesthal Reformed congregations, constituting the Kassel Reformed Parish, dates back to the early 70's of the 19th century when the migration of early German pioneers from South Russia brought the German pioneers to the plains of Dakota Territory. Being ambitious people, they were soon well rooted in their new homeland.

Not to be overlooked was their great concern for their religious faith. Among the immigrants were many holding to the Reformed faith. Their first years in their new homeland found them gathering for religious worship in their homes on Sunday mornings. In 1874 the following families organized the Zion Kassel congregation: Adam Hieb, Wilhelm Hieb, Johann Hieb, Johann Mettler, Jacob Mettler, Andreas Mettler, Friedrich Mettler, Friedrich Bender, Valentine Preszler, Johann Preszler, Ludwig Mehlhaf, Martin Preszler, Heinrich Jacob Mehlhaf, Johann Hoff, Heinrich Preszler, Friedrich alt Mettler, Johann Schnaitt, Jacob Schnaitt, Philipp Schnabel, Conrad Schnabel, Ludwig Schnabel, Daniel Schnabel, George Schnabel, Johann Mettler, Jacob Hieb, Friedrich Mettler,

Heinrich Jacob Mettler, Peter Wahl, George Neuharth, Phillip Neuharth, Jacob Neuharth, Friedrich Neuharth, Johann Brandt, Andreas Brandt, Carl Wacker, Christoph Maier, Friedrich Streyle, Daniel Mettler, Johann Friedrich Reich, and Daniel Mettler (Huether).

Most of their worship services were conducted in the "country barn church" on the farm of Heinrich Jacob Mettler, 3 1/2 miles north of Menno. During the spring of 1879 the present church building of the Zion Kassel Church was erected. Several weeks later the church building was dedicated with Prof. H. A. Muehlmeier of the Mission House Seminary, Plymouth, Wisc., in charge of it. The first couple that got married in this church was Jacob Mettler and Catharina Goehring (1879) and in 1880 the new church saw a double wedding. The bridal couples were: Daniel Mettler and Margaretha Huether, and Johann Mettler and Catharina Holzwarth. The latter is still living, 96 years of age, and resides at Menno. (1957) The Rev. J. Orth performed all those wedding rites.

The Zion-Kassel Church building was remodeled in 1944. The congregation consists of 50 families.



REV. AND MRS. WM. E. KORN

THE PASTORS OF THE ZION-KASSEL REFORMED PARISH

The Rev. Jacob Orth	1875-1882
Pastor Johann Bonekemper	1882-1884
Pastor P. J. Blaetgen	1884-1885
Pastor E. Scheidt	1886-1888
Pastor H. Teichrieb	1889-1891
Pastor M. Hofer	1891-1897
Pastor Jacob Huenemann	1899-1901
Pastor A. Kirchhoefer	1901-1905
Pastor E. Behrens	1905-1906
Pastor M. C. Buctell	1906-1925
Pastor William Huenemann	1927-1935
Pastor A. Kurtz (supply)	1936-1939

On November 1, 1939, the present pastor, Rev. Wm. E. Korn, took over pastoral responsibilities and duties.

"Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and all that is within me,
bless His holy name."

Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and forget not all His benefits."



TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

HISTORY OF TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

Heilbronn, South Dakota

(Valley Township, 6 Miles Southwest of Freeman)

Among the many immigrants coming to the United States from Europe there were also families from the Crimean Peninsula on the Black Sea in Southern Russia, of German nationality, who came to the Dakota Territory which was opened for immigrants. The immigrants coming to the Heilbronn community in 1874 were: Johann George Huber, Jacob Guenthner, and Christoph Guenthner with their families. They stopped first at Yankton to inquire about the country, then travelled some 30 miles north of Yankton and claimed homesteads in this territory, which they called Heilbronn after their home village in Russia. The following year, 1875, other families from the Heilbronn village followed them, namely: Christian Ellwein, Henry Ellwein, Henry Hafner, Matthias Hafner, John Walz, Sr., John Walz, Jr., John Kind, George Bauer, Adam Guenthner, Mathias Guenthner with his mother, and Adam Hein. Other immigrants from neighboring villages were Henry Nuss, Henry Pfeiffer, Henry Dewald, John Dubs from Zuerchatal; Jacob Haar, Sr., Friedrich Haar, Andreas Mettler, Friedrich Mettler, Philip Huber, and Martin Tabert. Some of them settled in the Wolf Creek region. In the year 1876 families coming from Heilbronn, Crimea, and locating in the Heilbronn community were Johannes Ellwein, Johannes Hoellwarth, Jacob Walz, Sr., Andreas Walz, Johannes Mettler. Coming from the village Zuerchatal were Wilhelm Dewald, Christ Bauer, Andreas Baer, and H. Yangula.

The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod in the latter part of the 19th century was mainly occupied with bringing the spiritual food to the Lutheran immigrants of German nationality. The Synod had placed circuit-riders, "Reisenprediger," at strategic points of the vast territory who would call on the new settlers to find out about their spiritual condition, to serve them with the Word and Sacraments, and to organize congregations. The travelling missionary in this neighborhood was the Rev. John F. Doescher, stationed at Yankton, S. Dak. He came in contact with these settlers, and preached his first sermon in the house of Christian Delzer.

In 1875 Pastor Doescher preached for the first time in the Heilbronn community in the house of Johann George Huber. These people, whenever the pastor could



PARSONAGE OF TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH AT HEILBRONN



REV. JOHN DEWALD

not be with them, had "Lesegottesdienste," a layman reading a sermon from a sermon book. In one of his letters to the Mission Board, pastor Doescher wrote that he was conducting services in 26 preaching stations scattered in 8 counties. He was a circuit-rider indeed. Under the leadership of pastor Doescher in the year 1876 the Ev. Lutheran Trinity Church at Heilbronn was organized. 21 members signed the constitution. In 1877 pastor Doescher was called into the Negro mission in the southern states.

In 1877 the Rev. C. F. Friedrich accepted a call to the Heilbronn congregation. The newly organized congregation had worship in the private houses of the members. They decided to erect a brick church building. The brick had to be hauled from Yankton, with wagons drawn by horses or oxen. This brick church was erected about one mile south of the present church. The congregation also erected a parsonage, a three-room building. This was the first Lutheran church in the county, also the first Lutheran church of the Missouri Synod in the state of South Dakota.

The third minister was the Rev. F. E. Melcher. He remained 10 years (1879-1889). Besides the Heilbronn congregation pastor Melcher conducted services at Menno, Ulmer, Quast, Freeman and Wolf Creek. In those days of horse-and-buggy he was away from home for many days, teaching and preaching in different stations of the parish. On Sundays when he was away from the Heilbronn congregation, laymen would conduct reading services. Some of the members who conducted such services were John Dubs, Henry Dewald, Andrew Walz and others. At the end of pastor Melcher's ministry in Heilbronn the record of the congregation shows 147 baptisms, 149 confirmed, 23 marriages, 31 burials.

The next pastor was pastor Albert Brauer from 1889 to 1903. It was during his ministry that three important events in the history of the congregation took place: the burning down of the first church building, second the erection of the second church, and third the establishment of the Parochial School. The second church was erected at the present location. This building was in the service of the congregation for 34 years. When the church became too small the members sold it to Mr. Fred Huber, where it still serves various purposes.

The successor of pastor Brauer was Henry Bouman of Minnesota. Since the organization of St. Paul's congregation in Freeman (1882) the Heilbronn and Freeman congregation were united into one parish, served by the same pastor. When in 1911 pastor Bouman accepted a call to Minnesota, Pastor G. Doege became the pastor of the parish. He remained till 1914.

In 1914 the Heilbronn congregation called pastor Wm. Hodde, independent of the Freeman congregation. Pastor Hodde also taught the Parochial School of the congregation. He served the congregation faithfully for seven years.

As the standard of the public schools was raised and the parochial schools were obliged to stay on the same level as the public schools, it became more difficult for a pastor to perform the office of the ministry and teach at the same time. The congregation was not large enough to support a pastor and a teacher. In order to continue her parochial school the congregation found it expedient to be united with the sister congregation in Freeman in supporting one pastor. Thus Heilbronn and Freeman were again united and formed one parish. Thus the Freeman pastor, the Rev. G. Steffen, also became Heilbronn's pastor. At the same time the congregation extended a call to teacher Paul Klawitter of Barney, N. Dak. to teach its parochial school. The congregation had now advanced numerically and financially to such an extent that it was able to erect a new church. On the 9th of June, 1924, the laying of the corner-stone took place, and September 7th of the same year it was dedicated to the glory of God. On September 12, 1926, the congregation celebrated the Golden Anniversary of its existence. The festival speakers were Albert Brauer, a former pastor, and Otto Brauer, a son of Albert Brauer. At the Golden Anniversary the congregation had 41 voting members, 230 souls, and 42 children in school. Rev. G. Steffen performed the office of the ministry in Heilbronn from 1922-1929.

The next pastors of the Heilbronn and Freeman parish were the Rev. G. Schaeffer, 1929-1934, and the Rev. C. D. Eifert, 1934-1943. Both served faithfully.

After pastor C. D. Eifert was called away from the parish, St. Paul's congregation in Freeman requested the Heilbronn congregation to have a peaceful separation of the parish. The reason for separation was that St. Paul's church felt it was large enough to keep one pastor busy. The separation took place, and so the Heilbronn congregation again called its own pastor. Pastor Paul Siegel accepted the call and served from 1944 to 1948. Pastor Hans Wiedemann of Menno served during its vacancy until the Rev. August Pera accepted the call and was installed on January 29, 1950. On August 19, 1951 the congregation was privileged to celebrate its 75th anniversary.

When pastor Pera accepted a call to Kansas, the Rev. John Dewald was called. He accepted the call and was installed as pastor of Trinity Church, Heilbronn, August 1, 1954. He is still serving the congregation. August 19, 1956, the congregation observed pastor Dewald's 45th anniversary in office.

Organizations in the congregation at present are a Ladies' Aid Society and a Men's Club. The present membership is the following: Souls 105; communicant members 78. Although originally a German community, the transition to the English has taken its natural course, so that most of the church services are now conducted in the English language.

The following is a list of the sons of the Heilbronn congregation who chose to serve the Lord as pastors or teachers and who have served or are still serving the church at large:

Pastors:

John Dewald, Freeman, S. Dak.
Eldon Dubs, Bloomfield, Nebraska
Harold Huber, Oakes, N. Dak.
Im. Hodde, Los Angeles, Calif.
Harold Klawitter, Pecos, Texas

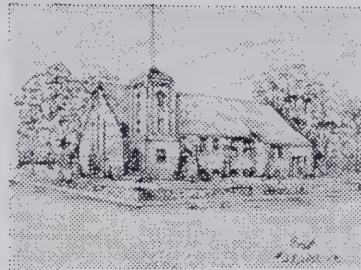
Sainted Pastors:

Ed Dewald and Philip Walz

Teachers: Benjamin Pfeiffer, Seward, Nebr.
Reinhold Walz, Winthrop, Minn.
Elgar Walz, Fort Wayne, Ind.

The Parochial School

One of the greatest blessings bestowed upon the Heilbronn congregation was the establishment of a Christian day school where the children were day after day taught the Word of God. Already the early settlers were concerned about the Christian education of their children. Finally, 15 years after the organization of the congregation under the leadership of pastor Albert Brauer, the congregation decided to establish a Christian day school. The first teacher was Jacob Wenzlaff who began his duties in 1893. The congregation built a school building and teacherage combined (the present parsonage). He served as teacher for 18 years. During the ministry of pastor H. Bouman, teacher Wenzlaff had moved to Tripp, S. Dak., and teacher T. Metz succeeded him for a few years. When teacher Metz left Mr. Wenzlaff was called back to Heilbronn and continued teaching till he passed away in 1914. After him pastor Wm. Hodde was called both to preach and teach. In 1912 the congregation erected a new school building on the east side of the church. The old congregation united with St. Paul's church in Freeman, Heilbronn called teacher Paul Klawitter in 1923. He taught till 1943 when the congregation didn't have enough children anymore to continue the school. Thus the Heilbronn congregation, a comparatively small country church, had a Christian day school for 50 years to give a thorough Christian education to her children. The members were mindful of the Lord's instruction: "Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness and all these things shall be added unto you."



ST. PETER'S LUTHERAN CHURCH, CLAYTON



REV. N. HILDEBRANDT

St. Peter's Church was founded in 1886. When South Dakota was known as Dakota Territory traveling missionaries of the Lutheran Church had preaching services at intervals at Clayton. In 1881 Pastor Andrew Mueller came here regularly from Centerville. After him came Rev. Laux from Howard. The next man to serve was Pastor Waechter of Hillside under whom St. Peter's was organized as a congregation in June 1886. It was incorporated in 1898.

Nine charter members signed the original constitution. They were Henry Harnish, Henry Kietzmann, Henry Schaub, Ernest Kaepsch, John Drewitz, Louis Ahrendt, John Keiper, Valentine Keiper, and Conrad Guericke.

Later St. Peter's was served by Rev. William Zabel, located south of Alexandria. He was followed by Rev. Nenkes, Rev. William Roehrig, and Rev. Freese. Under Rev. Freese St. Peter's separated from the Alexandria parish in 1906. Pastor Freese served Clayton from 1905-1923. In October 1923 the Rev. H. Luebke came here from Mansfield, S. Dak. He served here for nearly twenty-five years (now lives in retirement at Mansfield). He was followed by Rev. J. Palacheck who served three years. His successor was the Rev. C. Wolf, from 1953 to 1956. The present pastor, N. Hildebrandt, came here in January, 1957.

The congregation, since 1915 a member of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, numbers 270 baptized members. Its men's club is associated with the Lutheran Laymen's League, its ladies guild is a member of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League, and its young people's organization is affiliated with the International Walther League. The eighty-two Sunday school children are taught by twenty teachers who meet with the pastor every two weeks for study and discussion of lessons.

Public worship services are held each Sunday at ten o'clock (9:30 during summer months). The Sunday school and Bible classes meet each Sunday at 11:15. Saturday school is in session on Saturday mornings.

Our continued motto, "A CHANGELESS CHRIST FOR A CHANGING WORLD."



UNITY LUTHERAN CHURCH OF WOLF CREEK

In 1891 the church was built under Rev. Descher who lived in Menno. Before that time services were held in homes.

Their next pastor was Adolph Muenich who also served them from Menno.

Beginning in 1898 they joined and were served by the Bridgewater pastor. It was Wilhelm Steinmeyer who served from 1898-1902 and he also married while he was here.

Pastor Anton Wolf served from 1903-1905 and he was married when he was here.

Pastor Moenich died while serving the congregation in 1906.

In November 1906 Gustav Janzig came to spend a memorable 31 years. He was here until 1937 when he retired. The church enjoyed real blessing and stability under his pastorate. It was under his pastorate in the 20's that the present church was built.

From 1938-1940 Arnold Bunge was the pastor.

In 1940 Desquisne began his pastorate at the Wolf Creek and Bridgewater parish and in that year so each church could have services Unitey Lutheran of Wolf and Bridgewater separated.

Pastor Reineke was called in 1941 and served until his death in 1946.

Rev. Bischoff supplied during the vacancy.

Pastor Ide was installed in 1949 and served until he retired in 1951.

In 1952 the congregation was served by Rev. Dumins, a D.P. from Latvia, until late 1954.

In July, 1955 pastor Schedler arrived and is serving the congregation.

During the vacancy between pastors Dumins and Schedler pastors Kordewish and Bischoff served the congregation.

FREEMAN BUSINESS SECTION



FRED HAAR COMPANY

Fred Haar Company specializes in top-notch parts service. 1957 marked Fred Haar Company's 75th Anniversary. The business was started in 1882 by Fred Haar. At present it is managed by Al Haar, grandson of the late Fred Haar.



ERNIE STOEBNER

Ernie's Airport Inn, Jan. 1, 1953
Ernie's City Cafe, Jan. 1, 1955



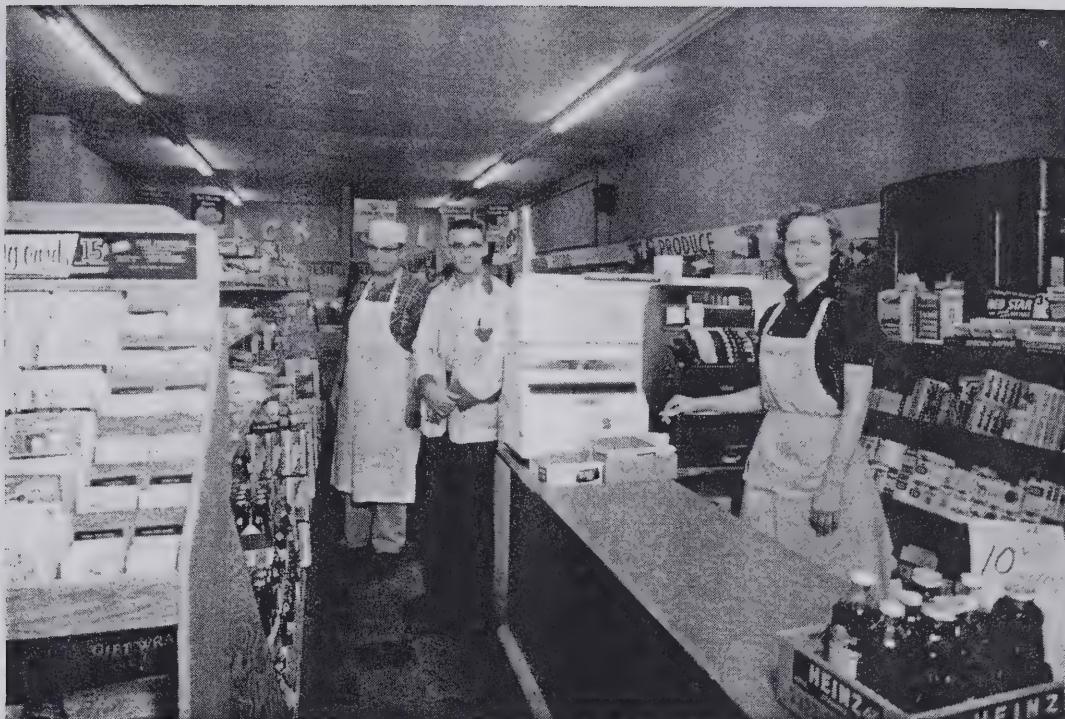
KARLYLE GAERTNER

Kurlee's Cleaners
In Business in Freeman the past
4 years



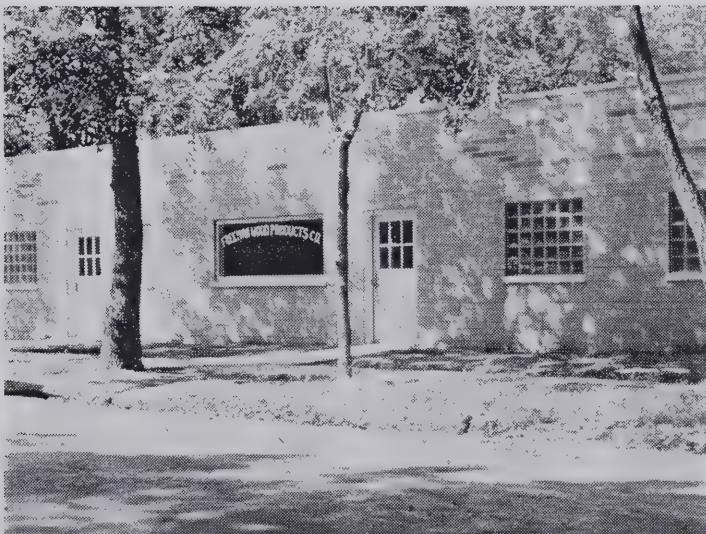
JOHN C. GRABER

Practiced Law at Freeman since
1915, and is the present City
Attorney.



KENNY'S JACK & JILL FOOD MARKET

Kenneth Weiland, Owner



FREEMAN WOOD PRODUCTS CO.

Organized in 1951 by L. H. Linscheid and J. D. Unruh. Specializes in custom built kitchen cabinets and furniture. Have built and installed cabinets locally as well as in other parts of the state. Recently have begun building cabinets for Buckingham Wood Products of Rapid City. These cabinets are sent to points east of the River in South Dakota and to North Dakota and Minnesota.



DR. JOHN D. UNRUH

For 15 years president of Freeman College. Now he is in partnership with Louis Linscheid in the Wood Products Co.



CORKILL PHARMACY

D. A. Corkill bought drug store from Otto Temple in 1928. Sold to Emil Hirsch in 1930. Bought back in 1933, and has been here ever since.



ERWIN SCHAMBER

Schamber Bros. Store embarked in the business in 1882 and it remained the Schamber store up to the present time. The manager is now Erwin Schamber, son of the late George Schamber.



ATTY. WILLIAM TSCHETTER

Graduated January 1931 and has practiced in Freeman ever since.



CHAS. PREHEIM

Manager of the Farmers Implement Company from 1920 to 1937 Owner of a Feed, Seed, Coal and Nursery business since 1937.



K & K COMPANY

Tally Bernhard, owner and operator of K&K Store, was manager until Jan. 10th, 1957. Clerks as follows: Amelia Dewald, Lydia Graber, Elsie Kramer, Eldor Ibis, Grocery Department manager, Clarence Kleinsasser not on picture.



CAL. KLEINSASSER

Graduated from South Dakota State College in 1950 and began Heating, Cooling & Plumbing business in Freeman, S. Dak. in July of 1950.



ALVIN H. HUBER

Ford & Mercury Sales & Service
Standard Oil Service
Started August 31, 1936



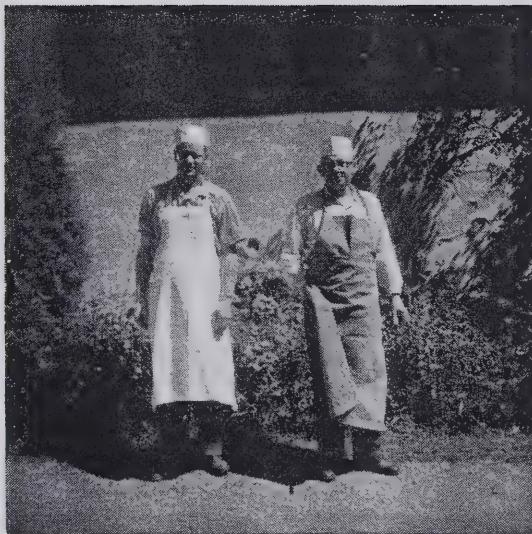
LAVERNE L. METTLER

Opened bakery in Freeman May 7, 1954. In the bakery business 12 years. 3 years as cook and baker in U. S. Army. Graduate of Advanced Baking School, Dunwoody Institute, Minneapolis, Minn.



MARSHALL-WELLS STORE

Started October 1, 1946, A. G. Pollman, Owner



LABER MEAT MARKET

Leo Laber

Wm. Morfeld



EDWIN SCHMEICHEL

Radio and T.V. Sales & Service
Mrs. Edwin Schmeichel, B. S., Instructor in Home
Economics, is a Freeman Junior College faculty
Member.



FARMERS DAIRY AND PRODUCE COOPERATIVE

The Farmer's Co-op Creamery Association was incorporated May 7, 1930 with Leon C. Weier of Yankton, S. Dak. as its first president. This organization began its operations in what is now the Northwestern Public Service Company office in Freeman. W. F. Bruun, who became manager of the Farmers Co-op Creamery Association in 1933, has served continuously in that position and together with the Board of Directors has guided its growth to a point where the present organization is now considered to be the largest co-operative of its kind in South Dakota.

On April 1, 1957, the Farmers Co-op Creamery Association of Freeman and the Marion Co-op Creamery consolidated and formed the present Farmers Dairy and Produce Co-Operative with Peter H. Graber of Parker, S. Dak., as its first president.

With 3 employees in 1933 to the present 51 employees is an indication of the growth of this organization. A

fleet of 11 trucks covering an area to the northeast to within 4 miles of Sioux Falls, to the northwest north of Alexandria, to the southwest to the Missouri River, to the southeast to within a few miles of Irene. From this large area, enough cream and milk is purchased to produce over 1,800,000 pounds of butter. From this area also are purchased over 2,300,000 dozens of eggs which are graded and processed.

To make this production and processing a reality, the most modern equipment available is utilized in the large modern plant which has been increased in size several times since the original building was erected in 1935.

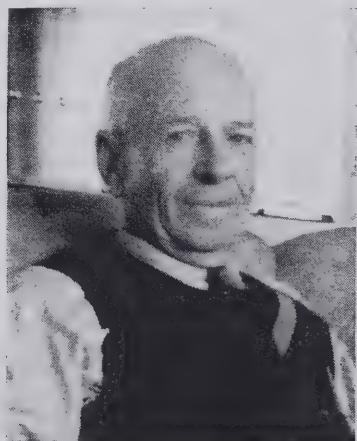
The Farmers Dairy and Produce Co-operative not only influences the economy of Freeman through its large annual payroll, but also the community as a whole through the annual distribution of dividends in excess of \$100,000.00, and its annual sales in excess of \$2,000,000.00.



JAKE T. GROSS
28 years in Hatchery Business



MR. & MRS. ALBERT KRUEGER
Lunch Room



JOHN M. WOLLMANN
Died Sept 10, 1949
Age 59 Years



COAST TO COAST STORES—RADIO & T.V.

Left to Right: Willis, Beverly, John and Orville Wipf



DRUGGIST JOHN K. HOFER

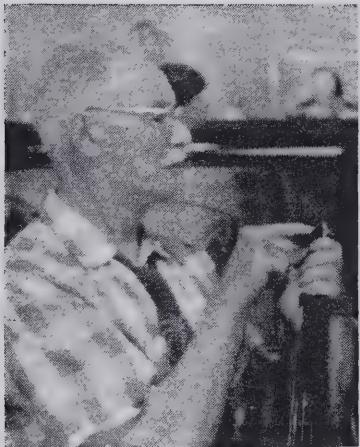
J. K. Hofer, R. Ph. has been in the drug business forty-eight years; three years in Vermillion, S. Dak., and 45 years in his home city of Freeman, S. Dak.



FREEMAN COURIER OFFICE

J. J. Mendel, Editor

Katie Gross, Employee



J. J. ALBRECHT

Square Deal Garage, Since 1921
Mr. Albrecht is servicing our news
press in the Courier office



PARK LANE FEEDS, INC.

Park Lane Feeds, Inc., was originally a feed manufacturing company founded by Albert T. Kaufman in 1929, and situated east of Main Street. By 1935 it had outgrown its old location and was moved into a larger elevator at the present site where feed was manufactured for retailers throughout eastern South Dakota until on the morning of August 25, 1955, a fire completely destroyed the plant. Rebuilt, as a corporation, the mill was again opened for business exactly one year later, August 2, 1956.

Freeman Community Hospital



Open House at the Freeman Community Hospital was held on Sunday, August 31, 1952 with a large crowd attending. The Hospital was officially opened for patients on September 4, 1952. Mrs. Gene Graber and baby son of Parker were the first patients in the new building.

At the time of this writing the hospital is exactly five years old and to date we have admitted 1,815 patients, not to mention well over 800 out-patients.

The medical staff consists of the Freeman Clinic—Dr. I. I. Kaufman, Dr. J. P. Villa, Dr. D. L. Epp; Dr. E. J. Hofer; and Dr. A. S. Glanzer of Menno.

The first superintendent was Mrs. Betty Johnson. Her successors have been Mrs. Don Harkcom,

Mrs. Palmer Graber, Miss Thelma Wollmann, Mrs. Henry Buller, and Miss Marcene Graber.

The officers of the Hospital Board are Gilbert Gullickson, President; Sam Brockmueller, Secretary; J. C. Graber, Treasurer. The board meets the second Tuesday of each month.

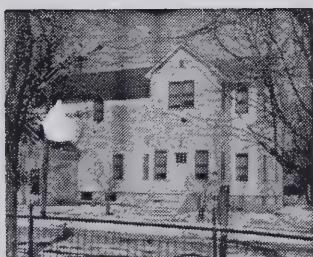
The Women's Auxiliary under the presidency of Mrs. M. G. Wollmann is very active, meeting every month with the exception of the summer months. They carry on projects to raise money and also make many necessary and useful supplies for the hospital.

We are very proud of our modern, up-to-date hospital and of its facilities for surgery, obstetrics, x-rays, and other vital tests and examinations.

Salem Home for the Aged

Establishing the Home for the Aged was a project sponsored by the Mennonite churches in this community. The Home is located on Main Street, one block north of the College. The 18-room home has ten bedrooms, a dining room, a modern kitchen, reception room, two sun porches, bathrooms, and a basement laundry and oil heating equipment. The rooms were furnished and decorated by church societies and individual families.

Formally opened September 1, 1949 it has been filled to capacity. Requests for admission are so great that it is planned to enlarge the Home by adding a wing which would accommodate 14 more. The pressing need for an establishment especially dedicated to the care of our older citizens who have contributed so much to our present well-being has long been apparent. Those connected with the founding and the operation of the Home are to be commended for this excellent work. The home is a real asset to Freeman. Work for the new addition to the Home started in June, 1958.





Freeman Public School

The public school building, shown above, was erected in 1925. At the time of its construction it was adequate to meet the needs of the Freeman community. However, with the continued growth of the city during the next thirty years, crowded conditions developed, and it was found necessary to build an auditorium-gymnasium. The new building was completed in 1957. It was used for the first time on May 20 when the commencement exercises for the Class of '57 were held in it. Currently it is being used in the school lunch program, by the athletic and music departments, and, on occasion, by the churches and other local organizations. The old gymnasium, in the main building, is being converted into additional classrooms.



HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM



FIRST PUBLIC SCHOOL
BUILDING



SECOND SCHOOL BUILDING

Freeman Junior College



COLLEGE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

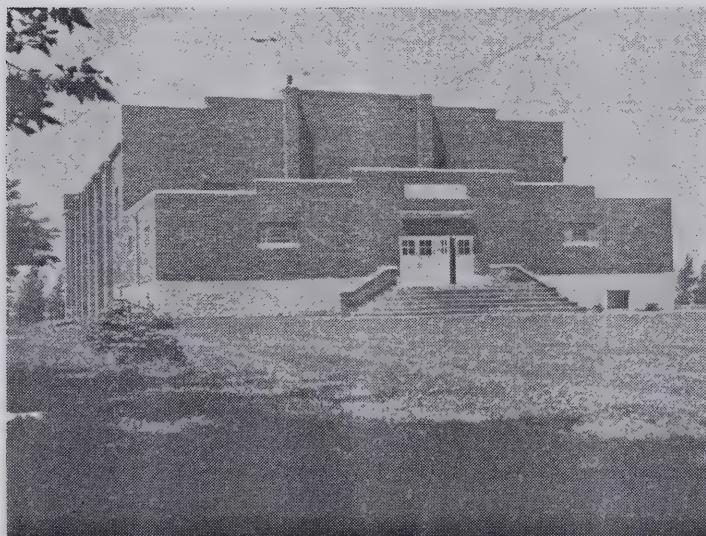
Freeman Junior College was formally organized and granted a charter of incorporation December 1900. The offer of Mr. John Gross to give the Corporation three acres of land and to sell them* such additional space as was needed at a price of \$100 an acre was accepted and 9.63 acres were acquired in an area which was then said to be south of Freeman.

Money was solicited and the "College" Building was erected. Excavation of the basement started on May 11, 1903. The building program went so fast that the first term of school was opened the middle of October and the "College" was dedicated October 25, 1903.

H. A. Bachman was offered the principalship at \$600 a year and free housing. In addition he received \$13 per month for heating and cleaning the school.

In 1906 a boys' dormitory was built and in 1915 a girls' dormitory. A tile gymnasium constructed in 1923

served in that capacity for 27 years when it was converted into a shop building. It is the present Thieszen Industrial Arts Building and ranks as one of the best equipped in the whole state. Memorial Hall, built in the twenties, was dedicated in 1926 and has served as administration building ever since. In 1948 a Boy's Dormitory was completed at the same time that work on a large new auditorium-gymnasium was in progress. Named Pioneer Hall and dedicated in 1950 it has become a veritable community center. Much used as a gymnasium, its auditorium serves many religious, cultural, and civic groups. Its basement dining hall and kitchen, spacious enough to serve 550, is in great demand. In 1952 the Wollman Home was purchased and converted into apartments to supply needed staff housing. Several years ago the Preheim family donated a modern home to be used as the president's residence as a memorial to their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter J. Preheim. Recently several major plant improvements have been made.



PIONEER HALL
Dedicated in 1950

The following men have served as president of Freeman Junior College:

H. A. Bachman, 1903-1904; 1908-1911
J. R. Thierstein, 1904-1908
Benjamin Kaufman, 1911-1913
Dr. Eddison Mosiman, 1913-1917
A. J. Regier, 1917-1921; 1922-1927
P. F. Quiring, 1921-1922; 1927-1928
P. R. Schroeder, 1928-1930
D. E. Harder, appointed for 1930-1931
died at the beginning of that term
Dr. J. D. Unruh, 1931-1935; 1936-1948
Benjamin P. Waltner, 1935-1936
E. J. Miller, 1948-1951
Ronald von Riesen, 1951—



FIRST COLLEGE BUILDING — 1901

FREEMAN COLLEGE WAS OPENED IN 1902

The Directors were:

Rev. J. Kaufman, President
Rev. J. B. Wipf, Schr.
D. J. Mendel, Schatzm.
Rev. Chr. Kaufman
Rev. Cor. Ewert
Sam. Walter
Jak. J. Waltner
Ben. Waltner

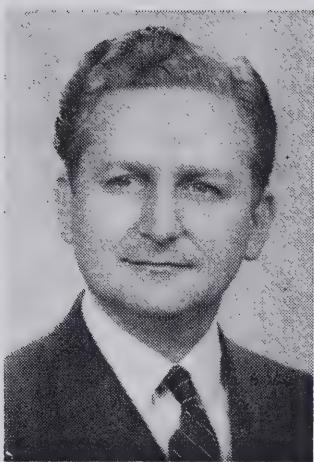
The Teachers were:

Prof. J. R. Thiersten, Principal
Rev. H. A. Bachman, Bible
Teacher

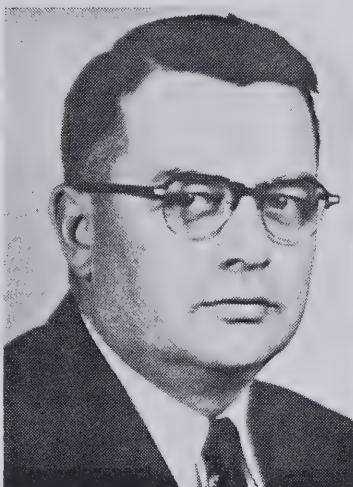
The following students attended:

Upper Grades	Lower Grades
Feiok, Martha	Delzer, C.
Grosz, A.	Delzer, Chr.
Grosz, Barbara	Feiok, A.
Graber, Elisabeth	Graber, B. P.
Hofer, Rebekka	Graber, B. C.
Huber, Aneta	Grosz, Jak.
Huber, Melita	Huber, A.
Kaufman, Adnia	Kautz, Ester
Kaufmann, G.	Kleinsasser, P.
Miller, J.	Schaefer, R.
Schmidt, Ida	Tschetter, Susanna
Schmidt, Lydia	Unruh, C.
Tschetter, Elisabeth	Wollman, And.
Tschetter, Anna	Wollman, Jak.
Waltner, Helena	Wipf, Dav.
Waltner, Ida	Wipf, Rob.
Waltner, Elisabeth	Wollman, Anna
Waltner, J. J.	Wollman, Rebekka
Waltner, Carolina	Walter, Anna
Walter, J. J.	Waltner, Helena
Walter, Jos.	Waltner, B. A.
Wollmann, Maria	Waltner, J. A.
Wollmann, J.	Waltner, A.
Wollmann, Jak.	Walter, Barbara
	Wollman, M.
	Walter, Jakob
	Waltner, Frene
	Waltner, Joh.

FREEMAN COLLEGE FACULTY MEMBERS — 1957-1958



Ronald von Riesen, A.B., B.D., M. Ed.
President, Mennonite History and Bible. Rev. von Riesen was on a tour to Europe in 1957.



John H. Ewert, B.S., M. Ed., Ed. D.,
Dean of the college, Registrar, Director of Teacher Education



Marie Waldner, A. B., M.A., Librarian, Associate Professor in German.



Dr. Harold H. Gross, B.D., M.A., Ph.D., Professor of Philosophy and Psychology.

LaVera Schrag, A.B., Instructor in Music.

Leola Schultz, A.B., M.R.E., Instructor in Bible and English.

Gerhard Buhler, A.B., M.Ed., Principal Academy, Science.

James Faul, A.B., Instructor in Music.

Daniel Hirschler, A.B., Instructor in Social Science.

Emma Schmidt Hofer, A.B., M.S., Assistant Professor of Business Education.

Katharina Kaufman, A.B., M.A., Assistant Professor of Speech and English.

Robert D. Lerch, B.S., Instructor in Mathematics and Science.

Mrs. Robert Lerch, B.A., Instructor in Biology and Chemistry.

Richard H. Waltner, M.A., Sociology, Director of Public Relations.

Russell Waltner, B.S., Instructor in Agriculture and Shop.

David Wollman, A.B., Director of Athletics.

Louis H. Linscheid, A.B., Instructor in Industrial Arts.

Mrs. Gerhard Buhler, Manager of the Bookshop.

Mrs. Mildred Wollman, Bookkeeper and Office Supervisor.

David Becker, Custodian.

MISCELLANEOUS PICTURES

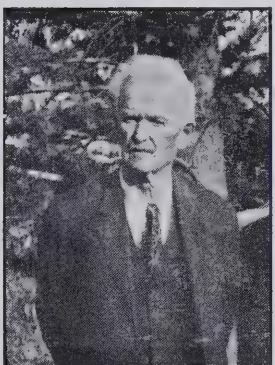


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FREEMAN ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION BEARDS OF 1954

Top Row (left to right): Fred Schneider, Ernie Stoebner, Clarence J. D. Graber, Ed R. Hofer, Leonard Wiens, Chas. Preheim, Jr., Al Shaltanis, Rollo Bormann, Melvin Graber, E. P. Hofer.

Front Row: Ted Kessler, Dr. Emil Tiesen, George Rademacher, Earl Gering, John Nachtigal, Henry Walz, Ben Janke, Levi Wilde, Meyer Rademacher.



ANDREW GERING

Andrew Gering started a shoe repair business in 1909, at the site of the present Merchants State Bank. For a while he also repaired harness and bought eggs, etc. He died May 28, 1940, age 84 years. He was a charter member of the Bethany Mennonite Church.



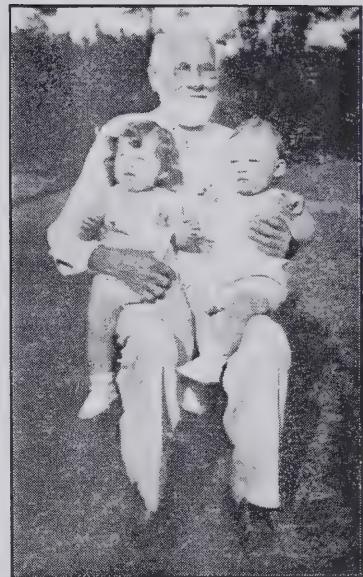
4 GENERATION PICTURE

The above picture shows Fred Haar 85 years old on the 27th of February, 1941, with son Gottlob, grandson Harold and greatgrandson Stephen.



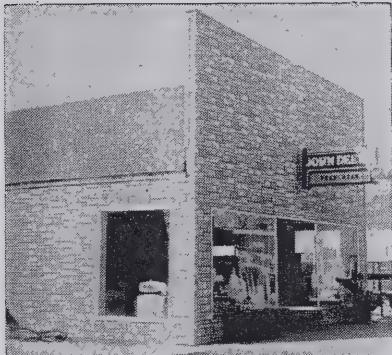
EARLY MERCHANT
Mr. and Mrs. John Dubs

John Dubs, Sr., died in 1942, age 87 years. Mrs. John Dubs died October 11, 1945, age 89 years



MICHAEL WOLLMANN

Holding on his knees are his great-grandchildren, the twins of Dr. and Mrs. Alfred Walter, Nancy and Merrill Walter. Mr. Wollman died June 18, 1940 at the age of almost 90 years. His wife died in 1907. Mr. Wollman was an active man and did much to help build this struggling little prairie village into the fine business city it now is.



FRED HAAR CO.

In business since 1882
75th Anniversary—1957



Mr. and Mrs. John Harnisch



MR. AND MRS. HENRY SCHEMPP

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schempp observed their golden wedding anniversary in 1953



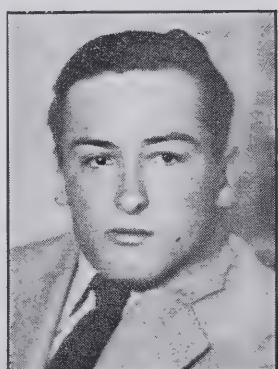
We were not able to get the names of these 4-H boys and girls



MR. AND MRS. CARL GRABER
60th Anniversary, Jan. 28, 1957



DR. A. A. WIPF
Pioneer Doctor
Died 1933. Was born Sept 12, 1868



ROCKFORD BORMAN
Died in 1949, age 38 years



ISAAC KLEINSASSER
Died July 23, 1932, age 48 years



JOHN MEHLHAF

Born 1864, Died 1947. His wife, Elisabet, 1865-1941, was a member of Kassel Reformed Church, 2 N, 1 E of Menno. Burial at Kassel Reformed cemetery.



E. H. WIEDENBACH
Died 1949, age 47 years



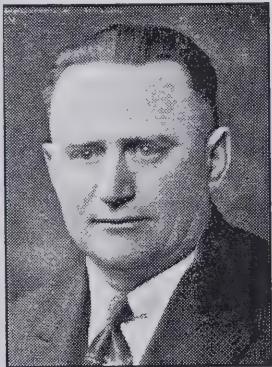
JOHN M. DOWNER
Died April 25, 1939, age 91 years



MRS. JOHN DOWNER
Died Nov. 19, 1943, age 89 years



DR. J. P. ISAAC
Died May 13, 1955, age 85 years



ROBERT STERN
Former County Commissioner



ED. J. KOERNER



JACOB A. KOERNER



EMIL J. WALTNER

Happy are the people who can return to hobbies upon their retirement. Happier still are the people who can make their hobbies profitable. Emil J. Waltner fits both categories. Since his retirement from the farm he has been devoting his time to work in plastics. This work he does in his own home in the northeast part of the city. People who are interested in costume jewelry, mantel piece ornaments, and a variety of other items, both utilitarian and decorative, have already found their way to his home. Some of his internal carvings are unexcelled for their beauty in design and color.



ARTHUR STERN
Emery, S. Dak.



JOSEPHINE HOFER

Miss Josephine Hofer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jos. J. Hofer is teaching at Watertown, S. Dak. (1958).



RUBEN HAAR



LAVONNE JOHNSON

Miss Johnson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. Johnson is attending Yankton College at this writing.



ATTY. WILLARD DELZER

Former Freeman Man

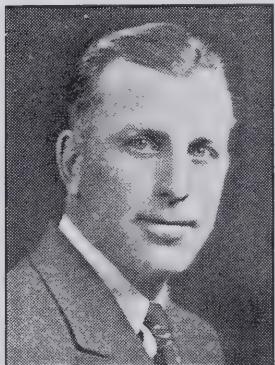


F. B. WOOD

Depot agent. Died April 25, 1952, age 73 years. Was in Freeman for about 30 years.



MR. AND MRS. J. J. MENDEL



RAY KAUTZ

School Teacher for the past 18 yrs.



HARVEY GERING

Employed at Govt. Printing Office, Washington, D. C.



VERNON GERING

Is servicing the Freeman Courier Linotype



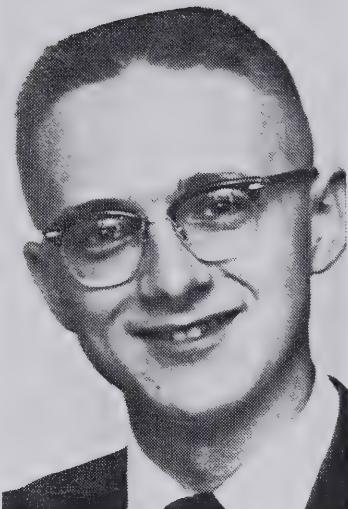
GLENN GERING

Is operating the Pine Hill Printery



MR. & MRS. PAUL R. M. HOFER

Mr Hofer died May 7, 1947, age 81
Mrs. Hofer died April 29, 1947,
age 67 years



A. TRUMAN SCHWARTZ

Graduated from Freeman High School in 1952 as valedictorian of his class. In 1956 he graduated from the University of South Dakota and received a B. A. degree, summa cum laude. He is listed in "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities," and is a member of Phi Beta Kappa. In September of 1956 he went to Oxford, England to study for two years as a Rhodes scholar. He is a chemistry major.



KIETH ELLWEIN



MRS. JOHNNY HOFER

nee Lydia Mutschelknaus, died in
March, 1945



Top—Jess Olsen, Loretta Haar
Bottom—Vernon Wipf, Jess Olsen



JOHN S. STAHL

Son of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Stahl, died at the age of 47 years of a heart attack on his gas truck while delivering gas in the country on Dec. 12, 1957. He was married to Adena Tschetter of Carpenter on Sept. 29, 1932.



THEO. HAAR
Implement dealer. Died June 25, 1952, age 66 years.



A. H. MUTSCHELKNAUS



O. E. GULLICKSON
Died July 1936, age 63 years



FRANCIS SMIDT
Died 1951, age 56 years. Was postmaster from 1924 to 1936. From 1936 to 1951 clerk in postoffice.



J. J. WALTNER
President of First National Bank



MRS. FRED GUTHMILLER
The former Mary Koerner



JOHN J. WIPF
State legislature. Died 1941, age 70 years.



A. F. HUBER
Carpenter



MRS. FRED STOLP
Was telephone operator and Linograph operator 1915-1917.



MRS. JAKE T. GROSS
Died Dec. 20, 1957, age 72 years



JACOB M. WOLLMAN
Died in August 1951, age 86 years



REV. C. D. EIFERT
Died 1952, age 53 years



DAVE ELLWEIN
Died Dec. 21, 1952, age 73 years



C. P. DICKMAN
Died April 7 1953, age 91 years
Born Dec. 5, 1862



REINHOLD DEWALD
Born Dec. 4, 1880; Died March 28, 1954.

Future Citizens

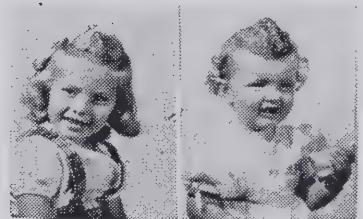


First Row—**Lorraine**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John S. Gross; **Glenn** and **Leanna Jane**, son and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Ratzlaff; **Marlene**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dve P. Hofer.

Second Row—**Sharon**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dave P. Hofer; **Marlin Dean**, son of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Christensen; **Georgia Ann**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter J. Hofer; **Dwight**, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Preheim.



Karen and Donna Walter
Daughters of Mr. and Mrs. John F. Walter

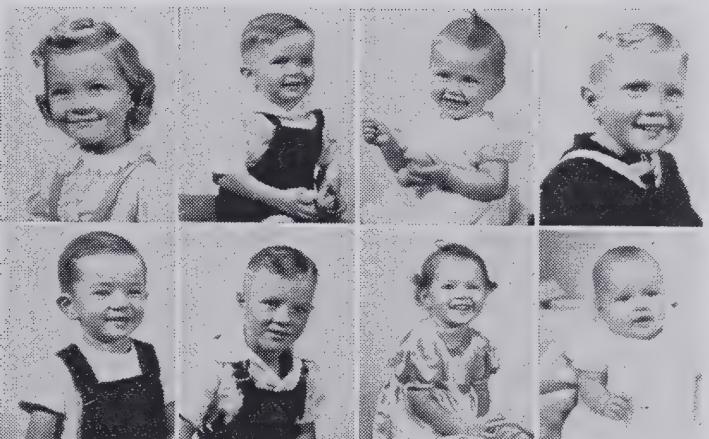


Left: **Sandra Gross**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. A. Gross.

Right: **Ruby Ann Hoffman**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dave C. Hoffman.



Arden Dean and **Orville Clyde**, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Walz



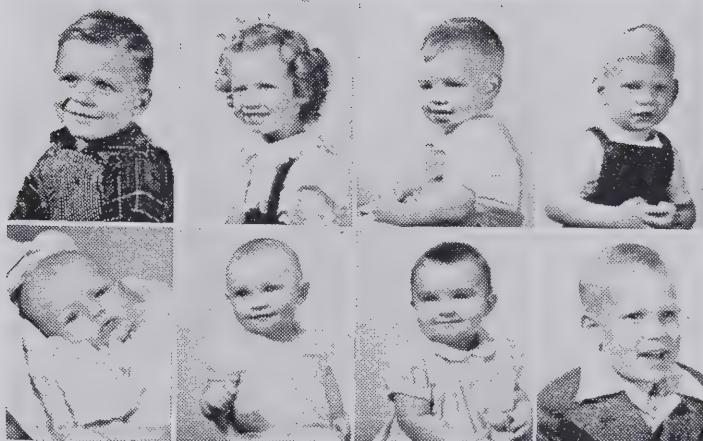
First Row—**Renee**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Christensen; **Gary Lee**, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Mandel; **Bonny Karen**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Delmar Becker; **Marlin**, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Preheim

Second Row—**Sherman**, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roland Waltner; **Ellroy**, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Koerner; **Judy Ann**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Christ Schmeichel; **Eileen**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Schrag.



Top row—Right: **Donald**, son of Mr. and Mrs. Pete Ratzlaff. Left: **Ivan**, son of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Preheim.

Bottom Row—**Sharon and Brenda**, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. S. Gross.



First Row—**Kenneth**, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Stahl, **Sandra**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eldon H. Graber; **Rodney**, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. A. Gross; **Darwin**, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam P. Stahl.

Second Row—**Rachel**, daughter of Mr and Mrs. John F. Walter; **Judy Ann**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul P. Pullman; **Sherry Diane**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Kleinsasser; **Paul**, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Neufeld.



Left: **Phyllis Neufeld**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Neufeld.

Right: **Orel Preheim**, son of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Preheim.



James and Verlean, son and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Schmidt



Lyle and Gayle Preheim
Twins of Mr. and Mrs.
Otto Preheim

6 Sets of Freeman Twins



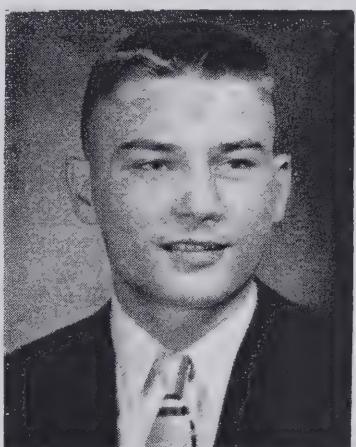
TWIN DAUGHTERS OF DR. AND MRS. M. J. WOLLMANN

Theda Janice Wollmann

Theda and Thelma were born December 24, 1932 and graduated from Freeman High school, class of 1950. Each receive the A. A. degree from Freeman Junior College 1952, and attended a summer session at Southern State Teachers' College.

Theda received a B.S. degree from Bluffton College, Bluffton, Ohio in 1954, and for the four consecutive years since has been teaching commercial subjects in Beaverdam High School, Beaverdam, Ohio. She has done graduate work for two summers in Kent University, Kent, Ohio. **Thelma** attended Bethel College and Bethel Deaconess Hospital in Newton, Kansas and graduated from the latter institution in 1955. She served as Superintendent of Freeman Community Hospital for a time and at present is on the staff of the Hopedale Community Hospital, Hopedale, Illinois.

Thelma Joyce Wollmann



TWINS OF DR. AND MRS. A. A. WALTERS

Nancy Jo Walters

Nancy Jo is in her second year of Nurses training in the Sioux Valley Hospital School of Nursing, Sioux Falls, S. Dak. Merrill is a sophomore in the College of Forestry, Colorado State University, located in Fort Collins, Colorado.

Merrill D. Walters



**TWINS OF DR. AND MRS.
HAROLD GROSS**

Camille Karen and Cheryl Teresa
Gross

They are fraternal (not identical) twins. Born July 31, 1948, Sacred Heart Hospital, Yankton. On picture are fourth grade pupils, school year 1957-58, in Freeman Public School. A brother, Cuylar Harold, is three years younger.

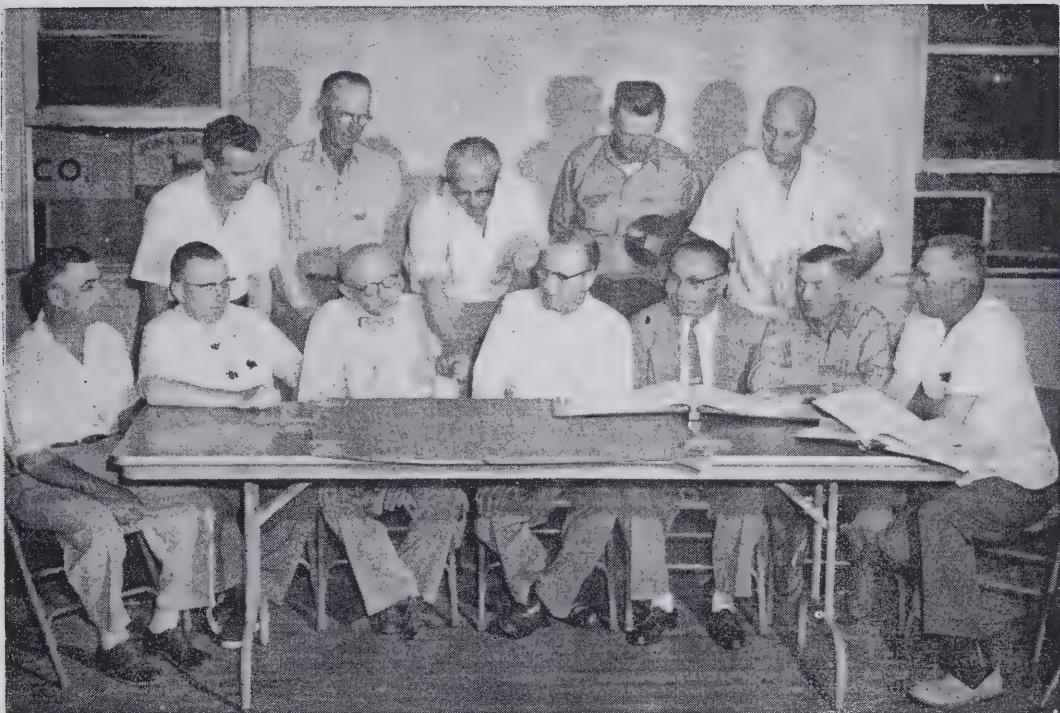


TWINS OF DR. AND MRS. IRVIN KAUFMAN
Marcia Kaufman **Monte Kaufman**
Age 6, Born November 27, 1951



TWINS OF MR. AND MRS. RUEBEN GOERTZ
Bernette Gay Goertz **Paulette Kay Goertz**
They were born on May 10, 1948 and have an older sister and brother.

City of Freeman Board Members—1958



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Standing (left to right): Glenn Waltner, City Treasurer; ~~Sam~~ A. Gross, Asst. Sewer and Water Supt. and Second Police; John C. Graber, City Attorney, Irvin Wollman, Chief of Police, Sewer and Water Supt.; A. P. Shaltanis, City Auditor and Liquor Commissioner.

Sitting (left to right): Henry C. Walz, Sewer, Water and Building Comm.; D. A. Corkill, Liquor and Health Comm.; Wm. Morfeld, Streets, Park and City Hall Comm.; Eldon Senner, Mayor; Alvin Huber, Sewer and Water Comm.; John A. Gross, Park, City Hall and Health Comm.; John S. Stahl, Streets, Liquor, Building and Health.

Not on picture: John S. Gross, City Night Watchman; Dr. I. I. Kaufman, Supt. of Health; Library Committee—Mrs. Hy Stucky, Mrs. Albert Schmidt, Mrs. A. A. Walters; Mrs. Fred Albrecht, Librarian; Justice of Peace, Edwin Schamber and John S. Gross.

CITY OF FREEMAN

Business and Professional Directory

ATTORNEYS AT LAW

J. C. Graber
Henry L. Gross
Wm Tschetter

BAKERY

Mettler's Bakery

BARBER SHOPS

Jake Gering
Leon Gering
Wm. Wilde

BEAUTY SHOPS

Henrietta's
Lorraine's
Pfeiffer's

BLACKSMITHS AND WELDERS

Oliver Kaufman
Helmut Mutschelknaus
Gross Welding and Radiator
Service
Al Hartman

BOOKSTORES

Freeman Jr. College Bookstore

CAFES AND LUNCHES

City Cafe
Len's Cafe
Ernie's Inn
Krueger's Lunch
Janke's Inn

CANVASS AND UPHOLSTERING

Abe Kautz
Tieszen's Upholstery

CESSPOOLS AND SEPTIC TANK SERVICE

Schamber Service

CHURCHES

Bethany Mennonite — Wm. G.
Unrau, Pastor

St. Paul's Lutheran — N. Seebach,
Pastor

Bethlehem Reformed — Henry
Bartell, Pastor

CHIROPRACTORS

Dr. Emil Tiesen
Dr. Bert Tiesen

CLEANERS

Kurlee's Cleaners, Carlyle Gaertner, Prop.

CREAM AND EGGS

Farmer's Co-op Creamery
Peter Goertz

CUSTOM MADE IRON RAILINGS

Ed P. Waltner

CONTRACTORS AND BUILDERS

Carl Stark and Sons
Dick Mutschelknaus
Milton Unruh
Albert Schwartz

DENTISTS

Dr. M. J. Wollman
Dr. A. A. Walter

DRUG STORES

Central Drug Store
Rexall Drug Store

EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

Freeman Jr. College and Academy
Freeman Public Schools
Lutheran Day School

ELECTRICIANS

Vernon Wipf
Cliff Preheim

FARM IMPLEMENT DEALERS

Fred Haar Implements
Eldon's Implement
Jack's Implement

FURNITURE

Walter's Store
Mike's Furniture
Marshall Wells

GARAGES AND BODY SERVICE

Gross Garage
Huber Motor Service
Square Deal Garage
Freedom Garage
Ben Goehring's Body Shop
Preheim Tire Co.

GENERAL MERCHANDISE

Schamber Bros. Store
Ellwein DeWald Co.
K & K Co.
Miller's Variety

GRAIN ELEVATORS

Farmers Co-op. Grain Ass'n.
Park Lane Feed Mfg. Co.
Shanard Elevator

HARDWARE STORES

Ellwein DeWald
Wipf Bros.
Coast to Coast
Marshall Wells

HOSPITALS

Freeman Community Hospital

HOTELS AND MOTELS

Fensel's Motel
Miller's Hotel

GROCERY STORES

Ellwein DeWald
Ferd's Market
Kenny's Market
K & K Co.
Schamber Bros.
Walter's Store

INDUSTRIES

Gross Hatcheries
Farmers Co-op Creamery
Park Lane Feed Mfg. Co.
Freeman Wood Products Co.
Mettler's Bakery
Kleinsasser Mfg. Co., John A.
Kleinsasser is making Delivery Windows for rural mail carriers.

JEWELRY AND WATCH REPAIRING

Oscar Gering
Leonard Dubs

LINOLEUM INSTALLATIONS

Ivan Wipf

LUMBER YARDS

Freeman Lumber Co., Marlan Wollman, Mgr.
Thompson Yards, Inc., Clinton Galle, Mgr.

MASSEUR

Konrad Enders, Jr.
Dr. Linnenburger

MEATS

Laber Lockers and Meats
Jack and Jill

MINK FARM

E. J. Kleinsasser

NURSERY STOCK AND FEEDS

Chas. Preheim and Co.
Fensel Green House

STORE

Miller's Variety

McNESS DEALER

John E. Kleinsasser

OIL SALES — BULK DEALERS

Ed. J. Preheim
Wm. Kleinsasser
Jack Stahl
Freeman Co-op Gas & Oil

OLD PEOPLES HOME

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PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS

Dr. Ernest J. Hofer
Dr. I. Kaufman
Dr. Jose Villa
Dr. Dennis Epp

PRINTING

Freeman Courier, Weekly Paper
Pine Hill Printery, Job Work

PLUMBERS

Melvin P. Hofer
Calvin Kleinsasser
Orville Wipf
Emil Ellwein

RADIO AND TELEVISION REPAIR

Willis Wipf
Ed Schmeichel

SALESMEN

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Art Graber

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Walter Steinhauer
Gerhard Schamber
Clarence Graber
Gilbert Gullickson

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Chas. P. Waltner

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Wm. E. Tscheter
Chas. B. Waltner

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Mike Walter and Son

UTILITIES

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Northwestern Public Service

WELL DRILLING AND DIGGING

Ben J. Schrag
Albert Heckenlaible
Will Schultz
Raymond Ries

WATER SOFTENING SERVICE

Lewis Kleinsasser

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